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To the Rev.d
Mr. John Emerson
at Portsmouth
N. England,

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3. Dec.r 1722

Rev.d Sir,

By Capt.n Stanton for Rhode Island

I receivd your favour of the 7.th Sept.r and communicated the Contents of it to the Bp. London, to wch his Lordp was pleasd to answer, that he expected a Candidate for H: Orders should understand to Translate the Greek Testament into Latin or English, and that they should be able to render, readily, a plain Latin Author into English, and English into Latin, and that they should have some Knowledge in Divinity, so much, at least, as should qualifie them for greater Improvem.t in the Business of a Divine. That such Gents coming from N. Engl.d must bring with them full Testimonials of a Sober Life and Conversation from Credible Gents who had known them for some Time; and if they could be had from the Church of England Clergy at Boston, and or from the Governors or Lieut.t Governors of the Province they come from, they would be more Satisfactory, as the Hands of those Gent.n are known to his Lordp. That it would be in vain for any Gent to come to him without these, if he were never so well qualified in Respect to Learning.

Beside these the Law requires that every One applying to the Bp for Orders, shall bring with him a Title to some Vacancy or Preferm.t in the Church, which here, you know, are Genrally in the Gift of the Bishop, or the Crown, or some Lay Patron, but from the Plantations it will satisfye his Lordship that Application be made to him from so many of the Substantial Inhabitants as may suffice to constitute a Church, and to maintain a Minist.r with Decency, that they desire his Lordp to send them a Minister, and that such a One be the Person, supposing him qualified in other Respects.

As to the Charges of Ordination, it is inconsiderable, about 10.s or a Dozen Shillings for the Stamps and every Thing belonging to the Letters granted by his Lordp, and to whomsoever he grants them for the Plantations, We will give them also a Recommendacon to the Lords of the Treasury for his Majesty's Bounty of Twenty Pounds towards Defraying the Charge of their Passage.

The Society for Propagating the Gospel only give Allowances of 50.s or 60.l ℔ Annum to maintain a Minister, and by their Secry I am informd they have lately resolvd not to encrease the present Number of their Missionaries, but upon a particular Application from the People who want a Minister, setting forth the Number of Inhabitants, their Poverty, and what they are able, or willing to give on their parts to a Minister.

Dr. Bray lately recd a Letter from you, and is preparing a very Handsome Present of Books for you, which cannot be sent till next Spring. I made your Compliment.s to the Governor who returns his, and hopes to see you and the rest of his Friends in N. Hampshire soon after his Return to Boston, which, God spareing his Life, will, in all Likelyhood, be early in the Spring. A Lord of the Privy Council told me that no Man ever came off with greater Applause in any Matter before the Council than the Governor has done.

I beg Leave to refer you to Lieut.t Governr Wentworth for other News, to whom I have covered this, to save Charge going by the Way of Rhode Island. I am

Rev.d Sr Your most humble Servt

H. N.

Recd. Governor Wentworth
at Portsmouth
N. England

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Middle Jan.
3. December 1715.

Dear Sir,

By Capt. Walton bound for Rhode Island . . .

I have yours of the 27th. Augt. by the Tuscany Galley, and of the 10th. of Sept. by Captain Rymer, both which I communicated to the Govern. as you desird, and he expressd himself pleasd with the Contents, only you forgot to cover the Copy of your Letter to the Lords of Trade about Mr. Burnistons Affair.

The Affair of the Lines hangs still in the Council Office, the Lords of the Regency declining to go upon any Matter, that does not require Dispatch, so near the K.s return Home, for with the Yatches and Men of War are now in Holland to attend his Majty.

I was Yesterday to wait on S.r Rob.t Walpole about the Stores, but had not the Fortune to meet with him, he being just returnd from a long Visit at his Country-Seat in Norfolk was gone to the Treasury, where I know it would be to no purpose to follow him.

Your Letter of y.e 27th. of Augt. gave me the first Notice of the Triennial Bill being sent over to the Lords of Trade, upon which I immediately waited on Mr. Secretary Popple, to know what was done in it. He told me he did not remember to have recd. any such Thing; I begd him to look among his N: Hampsh.r Papers and see for it; He did so, and it is now found: Upon which he promisd it should be dispatchd the first Opportunity of laying it before the Board. I called several Times since in hopes of giving you an Answer by this, but he assured me there had been but one Board since it was found, and then they met on a Special Affair, which they would not suffer Themselves to be interrupted in. The Govern.r is in perfect Health, and I believe in greater Favour at Court than ever any Governor of N: England was. S.r Robt. Walpole told him Yesterday at his Levy, that it was high time to Settle the Affairs of N: England, and that the Court would take the first Leisure to consider of Measures to send him back with Honour.

Mr. Cooke disappeard here about the Midle of Oct.r having left Word at his Lodgings that he was gone into the Country, when in Reality, for the greater Privacy, he withdrew himself on Sunday to Gravesend, where he was accidentaly met with by an Acquaintance of his who brought the first Advice to Town, of his having embarkd on Captain Neal for Boston, to give an Acc.t of his Agency. This Conduct is exactly of a piece with what preceded it, but some will have it that it was the Wisest Thing that he ever did, since his coming to England, to retire when he found that his Presence daily provokd the preparatives to a Storm upon him and the Country he represented. I beg my humble Service may be acceptable to the Gent. of his Majesty's Council and the House of Representatives in N: Hampshire, and to let them know the present Situation of their Affairs.

I return herewith Your Lre to Mr. Armstrong, which came to my hands after he was gone to N. England: I hope he's safe arrived, and pray give my humble Service to him. I am sorry my Letters by Capt.n Blow miscarryd

Lastly

having wrote largely by him to you and Mr Lowthorp, to whom give my humble Service, and let him know that I have not heard of being returnd from the Mediterranean; but expect to hear of him ev Day -

I am Sir Your most Obed.t Humble Servant. H: N.

I shall be glad to kiss your hands at the place you mention

I beg leave to refer your further view to the Prints enclosed.

NB. enclosed the British Journal of 20.th Nov.r and London Journal of the 27. Do

To Henry Marshall Esq.r
Port Mast.r at
Boston N. E.

Mid. Temple
4. Dec.r 1725.

By Capt.n Wanton bound for Rhode Island

Sir,

I hope this will find you safely arrivd at Boston, and that the Country proves agreeable.

Govern.r Shute is well, and expects to return to his Government early in the Spring.

I suppose the News papers are regularly sent to you home, for with Reason I have herewith sent only a Pamphlet ab.t an Affair which was much talkd of before you left London

The King is Daily Expected, the Men of War and Yatches being now in Holland to attend his Majesty. I wish you a happy Winter and remain

Sir,

Your most humble Serv.t H: N.

To the Reverend
Mr. Foxcroft
in Dover street
Chelsea

Middle Temple
4. Dec.r 1725

Rev.d Sir,

I ride out this Afternoon with an Intent to have waited on you to answer your Lre of the 29.th of last Month about Mr. Blair's affair, which cannot be done by Lre as well as by a Conference: but when I came at Chelsea College Garden Gate having walked thither a Foots pace through a very deep Road from Mr. Green's Brewhouse my Courage failed me for going any further, so I turned back to go

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Mr. Read to make a Visit to Mr. Lefevre's Schools in Essex.

I have not given you the Trouble of an Invitation to London which I feard would not be with Safety to your Health (unless it were by Water on a very fine Day) because I found the Dr. our Friend not in so disposicon to treat with us upon the foot proposed by Mr. Blair for Reasons too long to mention in a Letter, but the utmost I find he may be brought to is to make a New Impression of 750. Copies or a 1000. next Summer in Case we can prevail with Mr. Blair to remit the 50 £. which he has obliged himself by Contract to pay whenever a 2d. Impression is undertaken, beside giving him 40. Setts bound, as he thinks according to his best Remembrance, but this Later article he does not desire should be remembred. It seems he was to pay 100. L. and deliver 50. Setts bound for the 5. Impression of wch he has p.d 70. £. and delivered the 50. Setts, and offers to pay the Remaining 30. £. in Books whenever Mr. Perry will accept it, to complete the Terms of his Contract for the 5. Impression. Now I believe neither you nor I imagined he had made so hard a Bargain when we proposed to Mr. Blair to Void that Contract

There's a Ship going to Virginia next Week, wch I believe will be the last this season, and if I could have the happiness of seeing you next Monday or Wednesday, we might resolve upon Writing to Mr. Blair, especialy if you can bear the Motion of a Hackney Coach from the Temple to have a Conference with the Doct. I have not shewn the Dr what Commission you and I had, but told him in general that we had a Comion to treat wth him for a Surrender of his Right to the Copy but to take it out of his hands and to put it into another would embarrass our Selves, and perhaps do no service to Mr. Blair, nor his Book

I am ——— Revd Sr Your most humble Servt

A: N.

The Doctor has the Index of Texts of Scripture wch he designs to use in the next Impression, and I told him Mr. Blair had put over the Errata of the last Impression to be annext to the next ———

To the Hon.ble
Will.m Dummer Esq.r
L.t Gov.r at Boston.

Mid. Temple
6. Dec.r 1725.

Hon.d S.r I thank you for yr. Lett.r of 22. Sep.r and hope ere this you will have recd from the D. of Newcas= =tle His Grace's Lett.r with the Report of the Lords of the Committee of Council containing the Accot. I sent to Col. Quincy. I am sorry to find some People from hence take so much pains as Mr. Bradbury has done in a Lett.r to Mr. Wadsworth here to delude the good People of N. Engd. under pretence of detecting a Forgery

any of his vile insinuations
on me of his Bro.
My Lad Barrington, I
if I had not seen it, that a Scandalous of W. B.'s unfeeling
could have vented so many Invectives, without
but you know the World too well to
be carry'd away by such delusions and I am perswade
that by yr. will
Countrymen no longer to
of the Court here
In order to undeceive them
it is submitted to yr
of the Lads &c. to
in N. E. that they and
how they have been
imposd upon and made to believe that their Case
is not to bad here as has represented,
have been
but if their Amity be abused I dont know where it will
end; W. Drummer I
doubt not acq.t you with the odd manner of his &c.
disappearing here ab.t the middle of Oct. last and taking
passage in Capt.n Steel to Boston,
I am glad to find the Indians are at last oblig'd
to sue to you for peace, they are a pertidious Gene-
=ration and I hope God will direct you to seame
their amity on such terms as will keep it out of their
power to hurt you hereafter.
My humble Service to all
who did me
engage after me
I have the honour to
believe that I am

Dear.t Sr. most obed.t humble Ser

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Survey at Brantry N. E. Mid. Temple 6. Dec.r 17

Dear.t I rec.d y.r favour of the 8.th of Oct. and suppose ere this the L.t Gov.r has received from his Grace the D. of Newcastle a confirmation of what I wrote to you the 1.st & 3.d of June last. Since that M.r C. has withdrawn: without taking Care of his Ord.rs to enable himself & taken passage in Capt.n Steel for Boston which had not been known to his Father not have it in his power to lead the Country into any further more infatuations, they have paid dear since over to defend their proceedings not to be justify'd Nay I hope that he himself will be wiser for this Voyage hither, & be less fond to lay out his Country when he reflects on the Fruits of his Rashness.

I beg leave to refer you to the C.t Gov.r for the rest, and that you would make my Duty & Service acceptable to My Aunt and Cousins at Boston & Brantry & Cambridge, & believe that I am

D.r S.r Y.r most humble.

To the Reverend
M.r Blair
at Williamsburgh
Virginia

Middle Temple
10 Dec.r 1725

Rev.d Sir,

By the Bay} Good M.r Fones and I received your Letters about
Capt. Graves} treating with D.r Bray for a surrender of his Right to the Copy of your
Sermons, but either the D.r being out of Town, or M.r Fones's Indisposition at

Chelsea (in the [illegible] and hear the Name of a [illegible]
the Water) has prevented our Meeting upon it. I have [illegible]
as I could, in order to find my self of the Dr. Inclination by several Letters from
on the Subject, and tho' at first he demanded, for such Surrender, all that
had paid, and was obliged to pay you by Contract, which he computed to be about
150. £ not including Incidental Charges of Superneumerary Copies of the
Paraphrase, Coaltare &c, with he reckoned to be between 20. & 30 pounds more
Yet afterwards he was disposed to abate of those Terms without proposing
what, in Case we could discharge him of the Contract. That he never
propos'd to make any Advantage by the first Impression, if it would
bear its own Charge, it was alike expected: but by the 2d. Impression which
he intended for Sale, among the Laity as well as Clergy, he hop'd to
make some Advantage, as the Number printed would be greater, and the
Premium Less than for the first Edit. but those Expectations the Dr.
now finds are like to be disappointed; for when he consulted Mr. Brotherton
and other Booksellers, what they would give him for the Privilege of an
Impression, they scrupled to give him so much as 25. Setts of Copies,
whereas he has obliged himself to give you that Number and 50. pounds
beside. That the Booksellers all cry the World is overdone with
Sermons, so that the Works of the greatest Men among us will hardly
bear a second Impression, and instanced in Abp. Sharp: Bp. Bull, Bp.
Smalridge and Dr. Maynards Sermons, as what lie upon Stalls to
this Day and never came to a second Impression.

That notwithstanding these Discouragem.ts and the Loss he has
already suffer'd, the Dr. has so great an Opinion of your Performances
that if the 50 £. Premium for the second Edit. be remitted he will
God sparing his Life, cause a 2d. Impression to be made next Summer
of 750 or 1000. Setts, and give you the 25. Setts as stipulated in the
Contract.

Down to you I was surprized, when I read the Contract to see what
Terms the Dr. had bound himself to for the 1st. Edit. of 500. Copies, viz.

To pay Copy Money	100	—
50. Setts bound & Lettered at 4/3 the Vol.	53	2 6
100. Setts to be distributed among the poor Clergy &c. Gratis, at the Dr. Charge	106	5 —
	259	7 6

So that in Effect, the Dr. has obliged himself to give 250. Setts for the Privilege of printing 250. more for Sale, at which Rate I don't see but he must inevitably be a considerable Loser, though every Book had been sold off at the price above mentioned.

The Dr. owned to me that his Zeal for publishing them in his own Way, had brought upon him the Article of the 100. Setts, and he shewed me the Acknowledgm.ts of several Clergymen to whom entire Setts of your Sermons had been sent, in pursuance of it, with he hopes may be a good preparative to make them known in the Kingdom; but he likewise owns that he

[illegible] the Impression of these on the Printer has done it.

I have conferrd with Mr. Brotherton, and Mr. Innys, about a New Impression and find they confirm what the Dr. tells me, so that if we had taken it out of the Dr. Hands, we should have had a great Chance to put it into worse; nor did we think we had Power to discharge the Dr. upon his Contract, tho' in all Likelyhood Mr. Perry would have done it at our Desire, if we could have demonstrated a probability of doing you any Service by it.

My humble Service to Gov. Dryden and his good Lady, if I can possible get Time, I will write to them by this Ship, and beg you to believe that I am

Revd Sir, Your most Obed. humble Serv.t

N. N.

P.S.

I forgot to mention that the Dr. has about 80. or 100. Setts in Quires still left, which is a Reason why no Bookseller will care to be concernd in another Impression, except upon very low Terms.

The Dr. would be glad to publish the Index of Texts in another Impression, if you please to send him one if yet that with you left with him being not so, and he could not afford, he said, to be at the Charge of perfecting it.

N.

To Charles Talbot Esq.r

Rec.d: Temple
17. Jan. 1725/6

S.r

The enclosed is a Copy of Mr. Cook's Letter to the Assembly in N. Engl.d giving an Acco.t of his late agency here, which Gov.r Shute is advisd to print in order to expose the scandalously Author of a representation so wide of truth, but respect in regard to you and Mr. Reeve; he has desired me to acquit on your with it, and to desire you.r leave to print your name with the same freedom as he has used them, tho' before it is sent to the Press he must do it without your leave has defined me to acquit them as often as they occasion the respect he has to yr. & Mr. Reeve; names will not permit him to do it, without acquainting you with it, first in hope of yr. consent to his making use of it. and obtaining it if you think fit to grant

I have wrote in red Crotchets all that relates to Mr. Reeves For fear you should not have leisure to read the whole or patience

letter, beginning at the bottom of the 1st. folio, and ending at the top

may be acceptable to ym, and I beg ~~your~~ leave
~~to subscribe~~ that I am

S^r Y^r most obed^t

I have not been yet with
M^r Reeves, but if yms will give
me leave to wait on you
for w^ch I have yms Coppy.
which I shall take leave to wait
on you in a day or two for

21. Jan^y. Wrote to M^r. Reeves
Muntatis Muntandis.

To the R^t Hon^ble
S^r R. Walpole
most honoured S^r

Mid. Temple
22. Jan^y. 1725/6.

Permit me humbly to remind
ym of ~~the~~ my Memorial ab^t Stores for N. Hampsh.
the Board of Trade, Dec^r 1723.
recommended to the Lords Justices ~~in their Report &c.~~ the sending of the
Stores desired as may be seen by ~~the Copy of~~ their Report w^ch
I had the honour to ~~your~~ a Copy of ~~them~~ some time since, but the
Board of Ordnance by a Report ~~from them~~ at the
same time signify'd that ~~all~~ their Fund was appropriat
=ed by Parliam^t to ~~their Stores~~ the respective uses
mentioned in their Yearly Estimates, and that they
had not power to issue Stores for the Servic of the
Plantations without a Parliamentary Provision.

If this be necessary I humbly Submit it to
to give directions for the ~~Estimates~~ Estimates of this year
yo. good self to insert what is requested for
that Frontier Province for Fort Will^m & Mary in
that Frontier Province, w^ch the L^t Gov^r last Letter
a Fence
to be sent, ye Fort had not Powder Enough to
do honour to the King's Birth Day or any other Gun Salute
~~I have not troubled you of late at the King's Beauty~~

[illegible] to publish [illegible] because [illegible]
[illegible] to find [illegible] publication [illegible] of it, and you have
been so good as to assure Mr. John Philips that it
shall be paid. I am with all possible Respect

I am Sr. Yr. most obed.t Humble

Milk Temple. 25. Feb.y 1725/6.

To the Reverend
Wm. Colman
at Boston N. Engl.d

Reverd Sir,

By Mr. Degraves
on Board Capt. Rowdens
Capt. Clark.

I received your kind Letter of the 10.th of Dec.r and in Obedience to it have herewith sent Mr. Pyles 6. Vol.s with Mr. Wyatt charges me for as follows.

Pyles on the Pentateuch. 2. Vol. Lettrd		10 —
Ditto on the Hist. Books 2. Vol. Lettrd		12 .. —
Ditto on the Acts & Epistles 2. Vol. Lettrd		10 .. —
	£	1 : 12 .. —

I complained to him of the price of the 2. Vol.s charged at 12.s but he told me they were larger, and for that Reason could not be afforded cheaper considering the Expence of printing in double Columns, with 2. different Letters, and that the other were really two cheap, but that he was willing to oblige his Customers in the P. Dict. of them to make the Author known, who has been Lately distinguished in our News papers by a Living given to him by the King of 400. £ p.r Ann. at the Desire of Sr. Robt. Walpole.

I had not time to look back in my Books to see what Money I have of yours in my hands, but as I take it, I have not so much as those Books come to, with you can judge of by inspecting my Letter.

Your Brother just now brings me Your favour of the 12.th Janry by Capt.n Roby, and gives me the Opportunity of conveying those Books, for which I am obliged to him, and thank you for the your Letter of which I hope to make a good Use with the great Man you name in it. I forwarded your Lre to the Bp. of Peterborough and

Hope

hope ere long to get one from Mr Lloyd to you

We want here to know the doom of our Charter I mean of K. Wm and Qu: Mary, for according to the Fate of K. Geo. Charter so will that be, if the last be rejected the other will soon follow it

I am Rev.d Sir Your most humble Servant

To S.r Rob.t Walpole
Kn.t of the Bath &c.

Mid. Temple
9. March. 1725/6.

Most Honored S.r

My Lote indisposition has the honour of
~~I have been~~ prevented ^ waiting on
you ~~of late~~ to ~~know~~ ^ receive yr. comands upon
my Memorial for Stores for Fort Will.m & Mary
in New Hampshire, but I hope to morrow
to be permitted humbly
^ to know yr. pleasure therein, being with
all possible respect

S.r Yr. most obed.

To Henry Marshall Esq.r
Postmaster at Boston

Mid. Temple
30. June 1726.

By the Industry
Capt.n Shipperson

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your last favour and according to the Liberty
you have given herewith enclose seven Letters from the good Bishop of London to
some of his Lordp's Correspondents on the Continent of America

I believe you have the News Papers of Course sent to you, and therefore
can add nothing of publick Affairs but what they will better inform you of

As to Govern.r Shute's Return it seems ~~is~~ be
~~a~~ new ~~Accident~~, Incident, for the Lords Commissioners of Trade having made a
Report of their Opinion concerning Govern.r Shute's Arrear and Salary as Govern.r of
the two Provinces &c. it was not taken into Consideration the last Week by the Lords
of the Privy Council, and no Expedient being offer'd on the part of the Provinces for
securing certain Articles wherein the King's Revenue as well as the Interest of the Govern.r
was so much concern'd, the Matter was recommitted to the Board of Trade to consider
by what Means his Arrears ~~of~~ might be paid, and a reasonable Salary for the future
secured to him for the future

Whatever their Report may be on this Reference it is supposed it will require
the Sanction of the Legislature to make it certain and to be depended on,
which

which cannot take place without Letters of Parliament.

I wish the Misfortunes of the Country, by the Conduct of some rash People may end here, for if this should not be settled to the Satisfaction of the Legislature I doubt regular Troops will be sent and all charged upon the Country already overburthen'd with Expence.

I should be obliged to you if you would add to your Letters a paragraph of N: England News, for I reckon by this time you have got drop into the Politicks of the Country, and can give your Friends here in a few Words how things stand about Matters that our News papers here never touch upon.

I wish you all manner of Prosperity, and am

Sir, Your most humble Servant.

H: N.

To the Reverend
Mr. Colman
at Boston N. Engl.

Mids Temple
16th July 1726.

Rev.d and Dear Sir.

Henry Sprakey on Board the Savannah, Capt. Dominick

I have only time to cover the Bp. of Roxborough's Packet and Dr. Clark's Paraphrase according to your Desire. I receiv'd the 2. Gold Rings, but have not had time to dispose of them in Change Alley, where they give the most for Bullion or Gold. I hope my next may inform you how your Account stands, and alone for this Brevity, being desirous to embrace the Opportunity of a Passenger to convey this from

Dear Sir, Yours &c. H: N.

The Governr. is wrote in the Country that does not expect to see you this next Spring. for Reasons too long to mention here.

N.B. Mr. Colman's 2. Rings were sold to Mr. Woodward the Jeweller in Change alley: they weigh'd 3½ wt. at 31/9d per penny wt. or 3:15. to 3. came to 13.6d

To the Hon.ble Col. Wentworth

Mid. Temple
4th June. 1726.

Hon.d S.r

I ~~have had too little touch in soliciting my~~ ~~affairs by~~ The delays attending ~~the~~ my Solicitation of the Province have given me so much uneasiness that I have had no heart to write to you

to give only to myself ~~[illegible]~~
of promises ~~vex'd~~ but ~~[illegible]~~
I am now preparing a Memorial to the King in
regard to the Lines that to the Lords Justices being
irretrivably lost in the Duke of Newcastle's Office
with the Maps accompanying it.
I have herewith sent ~~we are now to begin~~
~~in celebrating~~ the Easter Holidays, ~~which occasions~~
a recess from all business, to the 12th but
my next may give you some more agreable
Accot. in the meantime I beg y.r. acceptance
of the News Papers herewith sent and that you
would make my humble service acceptable to the Lords
of His Majesty's Comm.rs & the House of Repre=
=sentatives. I am
the Gov.r is well & I Sr. y.r most obed.t humble Serv.t
suppose writes to you by
this day.
To L.t Gov.r Wentworth Mid.e Temple.
29. July. 1726.
Hond. Sr.
By D.r Boylstone
in Etherlead.
I have now lodg'd at the Comm.rs
Office a Memorial to His Majesty about the Lines
in dispute, a Copy of which is herewith sent,
and I am promised by the Clerks in waiting
that nothing shall be wanting in them to
get it laid before the King next Comm.rs Day,
in the mean time the Lords Comm.rs of Trade have
been so good as to assure me that whenever it
comes referr'd to them they will give
it all the dispatch a thing of that nature is
capable

capable of, and I hope it may be done without coming
by Commit, for if that be necessary you know I am
not enabled by the Province to maintain it. The
Dispute betwixt Rode Island & Connecticut Govern.
now depending after many hearings
is as parallel to yr. case with the Massachusets as can
be, and I was willing to see how that would if we
that I might govern my self for yr.
interest accordingly. // The Boundary River between
those Colonies called Pawtuck runs North
& South for several miles into the Land and then
East & West to a great Pond. The Rode Isl. People
have labour'd to have the line continued North from
the turning of the River. The Connecticut People
would have it continued up the East Branch
of the River to the head of a River that takes
a vast Tract of Land from Rode Island Govern.
though I think not so much as the Massa=
=chusets would perswade you to yield. // The 1st.
Report of the Board of Trade was in favour of
Connecticut; Mr. Partridge settled at that, contented
it at the Comm. Board, & prevail'd to have it
recommitted to the Board of Trade (as I'm informed)
several hearings by Comm. a Report is made in favour
of Rode Island, which now lies before the
Comm, and Mr. Dummer will get it reversd or
mitigated if he can; Both sides have spent a great
Sum of money in this contest Mr. Partridge told me
he had spent 800 l. Sterl. for his part and
2. or 300. l. before hand to take all advantages, but if the
dispute between yr. & the Massachusets is to be

carry'd

carry'd to such a length as this did, I
expect I must desire to be excused enabled to
it, or that they would give me leave to resign the
Agency. Mr. Partridge has often spent 40. or 50. £.
at a Meeting, & if I should engage my self
in the same manner I leave you to think what
would become of me and the cause of the Province.

As to the Stores, the last Journey L. Rob. Walpole
made to Norfolk he assur'd me at his Return he would
consider my Papers abt that matter; Yesterday I
waited on him humbly to put him in mind of his
promise wch he assured me he would do the 1st. Leisure
but this has been so often the answer, that I am
asham'd to write to you the same thing
over & over, & yet whoever has to do wth Solicitations
of this nature must be content to bear with delays.

The Triennial Bill has been long time referr'd to Mr.
Jane the Counsel at Law for the Board of Trade to it
him to remove any objections in my power; He told me
he had nothing to say to it, nor ought it, that as it was
a matter merely political and not relating
to any points in Law he wonder'd it was refer'd
to him. That Govr. Shute & the people on the Spot
were the best Judges what might be most for their
own convenience. Since this the Board of
Trade have not taken any resolution therein but
suspend doing it till the Govr.
returns. // The Return of the Govr. seem'd a few
months since to be near at hand, but now by the
present appearance of things, cannot be till next Spring
because when the affair of his Salary came to be
consider'd in Council, it was judg'd reasonable that
the

but how ~~and~~ best that should be, was referd to the Board of Trade to consider. Their L.ps have not yet made their Report, and whether they will advise the King to a Parliamentary imposition on the Subjects of N. Engld or recommend it to His Majesty to lay his Comands upon the Provinces of Massachusets & New Hampsh. to raise a Salary suitable to the dignity of the King's representative on such a foot as shall be not hereafter be occasion I cant yet learn, but this I am well assured that whatever foot their Lordships put the Govr. Salary upon they will recommend that his Arrears during his absence should be paid in the first place.

The Govermt. here are so well satisfyd in the Merit & conduct of the Govr. as you may see by the Report pointed at Boston that they will not find the Massachusets have made no advances towards satisfying the Govermt. here of their resolution to pay arrears or to support his Majesty's Govr. whenever he returns to N. Engld. which is a behaviour to the Court that does not a little move their Resentmts in behalf of a Govr. that seems to be as much in their Esteem as any man that ever yet went in their Service to america. But that the Province of N. Hampsh. might not suffer for the Crime of their Neighbours may be shewn to Massachusets on this Score, I Submit it to yr. prudence whether it may not deserve the consideration of the Council & Lower House of yr. Assembly to give some testimony of their disposition either by an addrs to the King or a Letr. to the Board of Trade, that whenever it shall

It shall please [illegible] return again to N. England, that they may cheerfully not only pay all arrears during his absence, but Honorably support him in the best manner they are able.

Some such address will be look'd on here as a becoming respect to the King from a Province dependant on His Majesty's Crown, & will prevent y.r being involv'd under the same Resentments as may be thrown to their Neighbours for their silence in a matter of such importance to His Majesty's Service. You will likewise consider whether it will not be more for the honour of y.e Province to make an offer of this nature than to be forced to it by the Government here, which I am told they are resolv'd upon by one means or other.

I beg leave to refer You to the Papers herewith sent for what relates to publick affairs and remain

Dear S.r Y.r most humble Serv.t

Wm Dummer

Gent. of the Comm.t & House of Representatives.

To the Rev.d W.m Coleman
Rev.d at Boston

Mid. Temple
30. July. 1726.

Rev.d S.r

My last was of the 16.th Curr.t by a Sailor Henry Spratley in Capt.n Dennerick with D.r Clarke's Paraphr. in 2. Vol.s which I have disposed of for 1 l.t. 2. Rings weighing 3. penny w.t & half, which at 3: 15. ℔ Z. or 3/9.d ℔ penny w.t came to 13.s Bill.t of Exch.ge sent

The Batt.a in my hands 10. Sep.r 1723. after paying for Sawrin & Philosophical Transactions was .. 1: 7: 11

making in all ..... 2: —: 11

on board the Providence Capt. Clark 6. Vol.s of Pyle; Paraphrase &c.a - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1.:12.:-

D.r Clark's Paraphrase and Evangelists in 2. Vol.s in Capt. Demeriche - - - } ...10.:-

2.:2.:-

I am glad to find by yr. Letter of the 3.d of May, that things are coming daily to a better Temper: but it is the Govern.t here don't think fit to pay his Salary as is done in some other Plantation Govern.ts nor do they think it reasonable that his subsistence shd depend on the benevolence of people after what has happen'd. and his return to England having made no advances to assist the Govern.t of his being [illegible] to be considered by the Board of Trade to consider by what expedient the Gov.t may be served in a matter of that consequence suitable to the Character of the King's representative. and what will be their Report must be left to time especially if the expedient be any thing to be done by an Act of Parliam.t next winter.

I acq.ted the Bp of London w.th the Contents of yr. Letter ab.t Mr. Harris, w.th which His Lp seem'd very well pleas'd, and I suppose has sinc wrote his mind, by Letters which I forwarded under cover to Mr. Marshal

I must now beg you to make an apology for the Protestant Missionaries not writing to D.r Mather and that you would excuse any not writing to him, w.th an Assurance that any answ.r he is pleas'd to make to it of my humble Service to him Missionaries shall be carefully convey'd to them.

but

[illegible] further when the next Ships for India will be
Waitten.

Mr. Chandler a Dissenting Minister has wrote a Book in
Vindication of Christianity in answr. to W. Collins &c. of the
Antichristians, that my L. Archbp of Cant. has in very
obliging terms thank'd him for it. I intended to have
w.d sent you a Copy of his Grace's kind Humble Letter
obtain'd from Mr Chandler
on a occasion, but my Man happens not to be in
way to make it, and if I should do it my self I sh.
lose the opportunity of sending this to assure you that

I am Rev.d Dear Sr. Yr. most humble Serv.t

Pray communicate this w.th my humble Serv.ce
to Col. Quincey Mr. Belcher
& Mr. Dudley to whom I
am indebted for Letters. I hope
'ere long to acknowledge.

To Col. Hamilton
at N. York.

Mid. Temple
30. July. 1726.

Sr. I have had 2. or 3. Letters from
the Revd Mr. Sandilands of Speen enquiring
after the effects of his Comission for disposing
of his Lands in New Jersey & Pensylvania
wh. you was so good as to accept the trouble
of. I have assured him that it cannot
be long ere he may expect the remittances
as you promised, but he is uneasy upon his
not hearing from you, I beg you will put
him out of pain. I suppose you have
full instructions to remit the produce of
his Lands to Sr. Sandilands, near Basil Street

[illegible] acceptable if you have not already sent it.
As to news it is yet uncertain whether we shall have a war. &c.

I am &c
N. H. N.

To the Rt Hon.ble the Lords Com.rs of Trade & Plantations

Whitehall
10 Aug. 1726.

My Lords

I have just now rec.d Letters from N: Hampshire complaining of the encroachmt. of the Massachusets Province by Selling, Granting & laying out great Quantitys of Land near the Center of the Province of N. Hamp: supposing the Boundaries to be settled as their Charter directs. The Province of N. Hampshire is of opinion that the Boundaries cannot be settled according to the construction the Massachusets Province put upon their Charter, which [illegible] at a place called Pennecook. I have lodged in the Council Office to be laid before His Majesty a Memorial representing that the Boundaries of those Provinces may be settled so as to prevent any future disputes between their respective Governments which I presume will be laid before Your Lordships in the mean while but as that may require time to be considered I humbly propose that Your Lordships will be pleased to represent to His Majesty that it may be for the advantage of his Service that His Majesty would be graciously pleased to direct that the Governor of New Hampshire for the time being do not make any Grant of Lands on or near the Boundary in dispute until the Limits of each Province are settled, or in order to prevent any Interference between the Subjects of His Majesty in the Provinces of N. Hampshire & the Massachusets Bay in the meantime.

All which is humbly submitted to Your Lordships.

May it please Your Lordships
Your most obed.t humble

I humbly beg y^r. Lordships to
interpose y^r. Authority in such manner as to y^r.
Shall seem meet, for preventing any Grant of Lands to
be made
on or near the Boundary in Dispute till the Limits of
and declaring
all Grants hitherto made in violation of
His Majesty's Interest in the Province of
N. Hampshire
and for Suspending all Grants of Land on or near
the Boundaries
I submit it to y^r. Lordships Wisdom whether any
Grants in violation of His Majesty's Interest in the
Province of N. Hampshire can be valid
in the meanwhile
I humbly beg y^r. Lordships would be pleased to
interpose y^r. Authority
securing
for preventing any detriment
from any detriment
to His Majesty's Interest in the Province of N. Hampsh.
by Grants already made
and for Suspending all Grants of Land on or near
the Boundaries
themselves are settled.
His Majesty's pleasure therein be known.
I am with the greatest respect
My Lords y^r. Lordships most obed^t.
humble Serv^t.

Mid. Temple
10. Aug. 1726.

To Ahmed Popple Esq^r.

Mid. Temple. 9th Aug.

S^r. I wrote to you
I beg the Lords
you would be so good as to lay
the enclosed Memorial before their Lordships in hopes
they may be pleased to give some direction
to the Govern^t. of the Mopasturlets to restrain their
going on to make further Settlements till the
Boundaries are settled. I am
S^r. y^r.

at Whitehall

Mid. Temple
12. Aug. 1726.

May it pleas yr. Grace

I have just now rec'd the Addresses from His Majesty's Province of New Hampsh. herewith sent, and tho' it come late yet I hope to congratulate His Majesty's safe arrival into Great Britain, consisting their distance from England it will be time enough to present it. His Majesty may be pleased to accept it as a testimony of the loyalty & Good Affection of his Subjects in that Province.

I am with all possible respect

My Lord yr. Grace's

To the Hon.ble
John Wentworth Esq.r
Lt. Gov.r of N. Hampsh.
&c. &c. &c.

Mid. Temple
20. Aug. 1726.

Dear. Sr.

This accompanys a Copy of my last by Letherhead, and acknowledges the Rec.t of yr. favour of the 9th. of March. I have rec'd yr. Letter of the 12th. of April. I have rec'd yr. Letter of the 17th June signifying that you had wrote to me of the 12th of April w.ch I don't find ever came to hand.

In obedience to the order of the Committee of both Houses I immediately put in a memorial to the Board of Trade, Copy of w.ch is here inclosed with my Letter to the S.d Committee thereupon to which

I include I begleave to refer you to (23)
other particulars therein mentioned.

P.S. Govern.r Phips is well & being gone with
a Petition to Parliam.t &c. I am
to Petition of Parliament &c. I am
to this purpose receiving any Letters
&c, with Prop.s for those relating
to that.

I have since obtain'd a reference of my
Memorial to the King on the Subject of the Lines
to the Ld Com.rs of Trade, and the same is
now lodg'd at the Board of Trade for a day
to give W.m Dummer & me the Hearing.

How far W.m Dumr. may draw me into a contest
abt. this matter must be left to time. I can
only say that if the Province will support me nothing shall
prevent on my part to defend the Prov.ce in
=berty.

I immediately have written on the D. of New=
=castle with Add.rs to his Majesty but
of the Province
his Grace being in the Country at his
where he expects his Majesty
Seat at Claremont I was advis'd to
delay presenting it till his return & for fear
of it's being mis laid & not forwarded.

I beg leave to refer you for the rest
to the Prints here with Sent & assure you
that I am

S.r Y.r most humble Serv.t
H. N.

Mess.rs
Geo. Jaffrey Esq.r
Richd Wibird
Will.m Fellows
Theodore Atkinson
Comittee of both Houses for
the Province of N. Hampsh.

Mid. Temple
20. Aug. 1726.

Sent. I rec.d Y.r Lett.r of the 20.th May
and in Consequence to Y.r Instruction

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... immediately lodg'd a Memorial to the Lords Comrs. of Trade & Plantations Copy of which is enclosd. Lies wth any Memorial to the King on the Subject of the Lines having been referr'd to their Lordships, I am every day in expectation of their Comands to attend them on the same.

How far the Massachusets may oblige me to contest this matter I cant tell but if it is to be drawn out to a length by great and expence I hope ^ will enable me to maintain the dispute.

I desire my Thanks may be accepted by the L^d Gov^r & both Houses for the Present of 100. pounds of N. Hampsh. money, and they have been pleased to order in regard to my Service of the Province

but if this matter comes to a Hearing by Council either at the Board of Trade or before the Council, I cannot retain less than the Attorney or Solicitor Genl with Some other noted Counsil at 10. Guineas each, for a Hearing, and if as it commonly happens they are put off the 1^st time they will expect 4. or 5. Guineas each to refresh their memories, especially when they are told that they are maintaining the quarrel of a Province. The Order of Reference of wch I now send a Copy cost in fees at the Council Office between 4. & 5. £. before they would part with it to the Board of Trade. I leave you therefore to judge how

for I may be enabled by this time
you have orders to maintain their dispute with
the Massachusetts, and could wish you
would recommend it to the L^d. Gov^r. & Council &
the Ho. of Representatives to send me a Letter
of Credit on some able Merch^t. in London
to answ^r. all demands of money that may be
necessary on this occasion for the Service of
the Province not exceeding a Sum
limited, but I promise you I will
make no demand upon it till the money is
actually expended.

I mention this because I think your Cause
is good, & I would not have it stand for
want of Money, especially when the Cause in
dispute is better worth contending for than
it was a few yrs. ago & will be every
day improving.

I was lately concern'd in getting an order of Council
an appeal from a Judgm^t. in the Gov^mt. of Rhode Is.
relating to Land^s in the Narraganset Country
which cost above between 30 & 40 £ sterl^g. the
Solicitor who was employ'd out in the Shape
of Fees & other Charges without any
consideration to my self, which I mention
that you may judge how expensive it is to
carry on any Causes at that Board only, espe-
cially when the Board of Trade are to be attend-
ed with the same formality, and if they require
such fees in private Causes, I leave you to judge
what they will expect when 2. Provinces are concern'd

I am Dear. Yr. most humble Serv^t.
H. N.

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21 Aug. 726.

Sir,

I have herewith sent Copies of my Memorial to the King about the Boundaries between New Hampshire and the Massachusets Bay, and the Order of Reference to the Lords Comm.rs of Trade and Plantations with their Report Letter thereupon just now come to my hands, and will give you a Meeting whenever you please to appoint, to consider when we may wait on their Lordps with what we have to offer on the Subjection Dispute.

I am Sir, Your most humble Servt

H. N.

To Jonathan Belcher Esqr.
at Boston, N. England.

Middle Temple
20th Sept.r 1726.

Dear Sir,

By the Captn Trip. Ship returns to N. England without an immediate Acknowledgm.t of any of your Letters to me which a great Concern I is with I have the pleasure of receiving from you; but your last favour of the 8th of august justly Reproaching my Silence that year, I beg you not to attribute it to want of Respect, but want of Materials worthy of your Knowledge relating to publ. Affairs, other than what you find in the News papers. But upon your requiring me to vindicate you against any aspersion cast upon you to the Lords of the Admiralty, I took the first Opportunity of Enquiring into it, and find that all that has been said relating to you in that matter is, that when the Man of Warr fired upon the Sloop, as she was going out, you stood upon the Wharfe and said the Captain deserv'd to be cashier'd.

I doubt not but you have come to any Resolution about that Report to make to the King of the Man of Warr or the Sloop, but I am well assur'd that they are not Disposed to show any Resentm.t to you for using so rash a Expression, supposing it to be true; and therefore you need be in no pain about it.

In answer to your last relating to Mr. Sergeant, I wonder his Relations should be so envious of the little Prospects he had here of preferm.t upon the Score of his Relation to the D. of Kingston's Family, since if he had succeeded in all his Expectations, it would have been but small preferm.t to one more than some plain N. England, in the Gift of y.e Governm.t without any Regard to his being the 1.2.or 3.d Son of the N. England Branch of the Family: but since his Grave Death, I believe all his Hopes are Vanish'd, and that he is now in very necessitous Circumstances, which would bring him to that Condition as he has borrow'd Money of all his Countrymen till he is ashamed to come near

how to support his Title. But I believe would gladly
Exchange Fames with those that envy his prosperity.

If he had had a Liberal Education, and some Share of Discretion
to conduct himself, he might have gained some Advantage from the
Duke dyed, but wanting those Qualifications, he has misarried. Als the
Lie Depe who is gone abroad I believe scarce knows him.
but they to Impersonator

I met him about 2. Months since in Gray's Inn Walks, in a very
Shabby Condicon and was concern'd that my Company was such, that I
could neither invite him to joyne us, nor leave me to talk with him;
I have several times since enquired after his Residence, but cannot
learn where it is

Pray give my humble Duty to Mr. James Pemberton from
whom I received a large packet of Certificates accompanied with yours,
and let him know that I should have been glad to have had an opportunity
but my Service but he is gone into the Country.
my humble Service to
Col. Quincy.

To the Hon.ble
John Wentworth Esq.r
Lieut.t Governor of N. Hampsh.

Middle Temple
29 Sept.r 1726.

By the Oyster Frigate Capt.n Tyng

Sir,

My last was of the 20th Inst. w.th
an answ.r to the Comittee of both Houses w.ch I hope you
have rec.d; since then the
Lords of Trade have given Mr. Dummer & me notice
to be ready to attend their L.ps with any representation
we have to make on the Subject of my Memorial
but it being Vacation Time they are so much in the
Country that their Secry has this day assured me he
has not been able to get their leave to furnish me
with Copies of several remarkable Pieces out of
the Plantation Office in favour of yr. cause, be-
=fore I can desire to be heard.

I wonder you never sent to me Copies of Mr. Hutchinson's
the Council of Plimouth's Grant to Sir Ferdinando Gorge & Mr. Mason
1621. from Naumkeag to Merrimack, & of their Grant to Mr. Mason
New Hampsh. by the name of the Province of
from Merrimack to Sagadahock dated 10. Aug. 1622. both prior to the

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~~Subsequent~~ Subsequent Grants to John Wroclaw Esq. and Asso-
ciates which I have found in the Plantation Office
I have Respose Copies of, at the last moment to de-
=fend yt. Interest without subjecting you to any of Mr.
Allen's extravagant Claims, and by which I hope to
get the bounds settled at Merrimack River if not
at Nammkeag. ~~the Lords of Trade seem disposed to do~~
and I have reason to believe the Lords of Trade will
be disposed to recommend the latter as the proper
Boundary. I believe the Gent. of ye Mapa=
=chusets are sensible of this and therefore I find
they have appointed Comrs. to treat with you
upon an accomodation, but how far you may
with decency do this after you have so often heard them in
yt. Letter to the King. I submit to yt. consider=
=ation. If this had been done before you had
been obliged to proceed the Cryth you have, it
had no doubt have been well, but now it seems
it is too late unless they will at once give you up
all Towns to Northward of Merrimack & be con=
=tent to run the bounds from Dunstable West=
=ward, which they will scarce do.

I hope you will take care to furnish me with
Money in the manner proposed in my Last if
you expect I should maintain the interest, especially if I can
obtain so considerable an addition as is proposed to
the Province. Perhaps His Majesty may be induced to give
Mr. Mason's Defendants a Sum of Money for a Surren=
=der of all their Pretentions to the Crown, that they may
with be annexed to the Province of New=
=Hampsh. If the Board of Trade come into such a
recommendation, I have reason to believe they are to
be invested

~~included~~; I am perswaded no Governr. will make no difficulty to comply with it.

Your Slyness of having any thing to do with Mr. Allen has made me to too, ~~though I always thought~~ and therefore instead of examining things from the Original Papers in his hands I am ~~forced~~ obliged to content my self with paying for Copies of Copies out of the Plantation Office ~~at their own prices~~. Whereas in this affair I doubt not but you may shake hands with Mr. Allen for what is past provided he will never disturb ~~you in it~~ New Hampsh. in their present possession, & be content to consider himself as a fellow Proprietor with the Inhabts of ~~the Province~~ & join with you in asserting the antient bounds of ~~the Province~~.

My humble Service to all ~~y~~ Gent. of both Houses & pleased to be assured that I am

P. S. Yr. &c. J. W.

Sr. Rob. Walpole this day again moved me he would consider of my Papers abt. Stores. I desire with send a Lett. from the Board of Trade, with the prints I have by me: in the Gazette of the 6th Curr. you will find your Address has been presented to the King, and graciously accepted.

The Govern. is well being just now returned from Derbyshr. and is going to wait on my L. President to Newmarket.

The Governours for Jamaica and Virginia are not yet declared

P. S.

~~To Mr. Burchett~~.

7. Oct. 1726

William Sir, Above is Copy of my Last by Capt. Tyng. The Lords Comm.rs of
By. and Sarah Trade have not yet had a Board, but now the Ct. Dr. will bring
Capt. Steel Alborn and every Body else soon to Town

In the draught of N. Hampshire which you sent to me you
seem to have made the East and West Line Northward of Merrimack
according

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[illegible] to the Project without allowing for Variation, which [illegible]
not [illegible] here; if Merrimack River be the Boundary, then there
will be no occasion for any dispute about that. I have not Letter from
You since yours of y^e 17^th June, What you wrote to me about M^r
Partridge was communicated to the Governor, and I hope will obtain Y^r
I hope to hear from your Treasurer by y^e next Ships, and desire you am
I may be assured of my being Sir and

Your most humble Servant

H. N

I have not heard of
M^r Ponhollow's Sum in the
Mediterranean
Memorand. Sent along with the Lre Hist. Register N^o 43.

To the Honoble
Governor Wentworth.

Middle Temple
20. Oct. 1726.

Sir,

By the William and Sarah. Capt^n Thel.

This day M^r Dummer and I upon Notice from the Secry of y^e Board of Trade attended their Lord^ps for the first time of their to be heard upon the Boundary dispute. meeting since the Vacation. M^r Dummer was there and read before I came, but their Lord^ps were pleas'd to adjourn the matter till that M^r Dummer had acquainted them that he expected further Instructions from New England could be ready. The last Advices from those having in Command here were appointed by y^e Assembly of y^e Massachusetts to treat with — Comm^rs such as should be appointed by y^e Assembly of N. Hampshire to accomodate the Differences relating to y^e Bounds, upon which their Lord^ps were pleas'd to ask me whether I had any further Advices upon that head signifying y^e Complaisance of y^e Govern^r of N. Hampshire to such a project for Accomodation I told their Lord^ps I had none and very much question'd whether the province of N. Hampshire would hearken to any such proposal now the Matter had been laid before y^e King and by his Majesty's Command referr'd to their Lord^ps Consideration: It that such Commission had been further in vain to expect they should be speedily appointed. I took y^e Liberty to acquaint their Lord^ps that y^e province of N. Hampsh. were under some difficulty about making use of y^e Grants to M^rs Mason and of the original proprietors of N. Hampshire for fear of subjecting themselves to

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~~ab~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~his~~ ~~and~~ ~~his~~ ~~Lordships~~ ~~attempted~~ ~~Claim~~ ~~of~~ ~~this~~ ~~the original Grants made~~ to which their ~~Lordps~~ were pleased to ~~reply~~ that this was quite a different dispute which only related to ye Bounds between the Provinces and not to the particular Properties of the Lands in either Province. I likewise acquainted ~~their Lordps~~ that yours Hyness of ~~acknowledging the Validity of those Grants~~ had occasioned your not recording them in your Books and furnishing me with Copies of them, but that I had found them in the Books of ~~the plantation &~~ and desired to know whether ~~their Lordps~~ Office if they would be admitted as Evidence in behalf of ye Proprietors of N. Hampshr. That some of these Grants were ~~many~~ several years before the first Grants to the Massachusetts Coynd of Plimouth and would put the Matter in Dispute in a clear Light, so as to determine the Southern either from ~~make~~ the Boundary at Naumkeag ~~Watered~~. according to ye 1st Grant dated 9th March 1621. or at Merrimack River according to ye 2. Grant 10th Augt 1622. both wch were 5. or 6. years before ye Grant of ye Coynd of Plimouth to the Massachusetts dated 19th Mar. 1627. & ~~to which place the Boundary~~ Begining of ye Boundary 3. Miles to the Northward of Merrimack ~~to which their Lordps~~ were pleased to answer that whatever I could find in their Books in favour of N. Hampshire would be admitted as good Evidence without obliging ~~me~~ them, and they at ye same time gave Mr Popple Leave to furnish me with Copies of whatever I wanted. ~~upon this head. In the mean time~~ their Lordps were pleased also to tell me that they thought it reasonable in the mean time to recommend it to his Majesty to send his ~~peremptory~~ Commands to the Governor of each Province not to consent to any Grant or Grants of Land that might be ~~thought~~ prejudicial to either province till the Boundaries in Dispute were settled, I said ~~for my part that in what~~ took ye Liberty to assure their Lordps that such a Command would meet with a most ready Compliance from the Governor of N. Hampshire, and they were pleased to order me to give Notice to my principals to ~~be diligent~~, And that they would suspend the further Consideration

Considerat^n of this Matter till they heard the Issue of y^e Project for an Accomodation betwixt the two Provinces.

Since my last of y^e 29. Sept^r & a duplicate thereof y^e 7. Inst^t made it my Business to find out the part of Mr. Blue who solicited in Mr. Allen's in the Controversy betwixt him and New Hampshire and asked him whether or Mr. Allen had the original Grants of N. Hampshire in their possession, he told me that neither of them had, but that he believed they were in the Hands of Mr. Usher or some Body else in N. England mortgaged for a sum of Money which Mr. Allen would not be able to redeem, He could give me no Account of her present Value and that in his Opinion She would never make any Thing of her pretentions having slipt the Opportunity in the time of the Bubble of taking 500. £. for any of Ernest for her Interest, which She might or easily have had instead of 100. £. which She did receive. I submit to you whether it may not deserve your Consideration to treat with Mr. Usher for delivering to you authentick Copies of all y^e Grants and in his power made from time to time to John Mason Esq^r Sr. Ferdinando Gorge and John Wooldston Esq^r and their Associates relating to New Hampshire And if they were sent over to me under the province Seal they would be ready to produce as indisputable Evidence whenever the Matter comes to be heard before the King and Council where the Records of y^e Board of Trade may not be so easily admitted as Evidence as they may be to y^e Lords Comm^rs of Trade themselves

N.B. this to be entred at this Mark

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The Lords were pleased to defer the Reading of the Petition
I should at the same time
them to give them a history in whose hands and by what Authority
the province of N. Hampsh. was governed from the first Settling
of it, if by Commissions from ye. King, when and to whom those
Commns. were granted; Whether it has not at sometimes been look'd
upon as part of ye. Massachusets, or always governed independant
by. I gave their Lordps the best account I could for the present
past, and for the time before that I must beg you will instruct
me and to be as particular as you can, because in that point the
would help very much to clear upon the Extent of ye. Jurisdictions
of each Governm.t the Decision of ye. Disputes would very much
depend, but I told their Lordps that the Massachusets had always
extend their Jurisdiction beyond their Bounds, so that I doubted that
would not submitted to them whether that would be a just Rule
to judge by considering how much the province of N. Hampsh.
in their Infancy were compell'd by the Incroachments of ye. Indians to
be passive to the Encroachm.ts of the Massachusets while they stood
in need of their protection. You will see me more particularly
on this head, & let me know the Sentiments of those Lords
been from the beginning.

I have not waited on Sr. Robt. Walpole since my Last (he being very
much at his Seat at Chelsea or Kensington) but I hope he does
not forget his promise of considering my humble Request for Stores.

I hope likewise you will not forget to furnish me with
sufficient

sufficient Credit both to the Remittance you have order'd for the support of your Interest in the affair of the Lines and what else concerns the Welfare of the province, whereof if you expect I should remove I must not be wanting to employ the ablest Council, and all other proper Means of serving you.

I acquainted you that Mr. Partridge told me he had spent 800 £ Sterling in the Dispute about the Lines between Rhode Island and Connecticut and that he had never less than 2. or 3. hund. pounds in his hands before. I leave you and the assembly of N. Hampshire to judge whether the Dispute between you and Massachusetts be not of as much Consequence to your province, as that between Rhode Island and Connecticut especially when and that you may promise your better Selves Success; for while you are espousing the King's Interest you ought to defend your own. I cannot but take Notice to you that Mr Dummer seemd very much surprized when I told him that the Grants to N: Hampshire from the Council of Plimouth were several years prior to that of Massachusets, and since that he has used all his Endeavours to obtain a Suppression of the Grant to suppend coming to any hearing till he has further Instructions and the result of y^r Project for an Accomodation can be known by Counc^l on both Sides can be known.

Perhaps this may be the last Ship I may be able to write to you by till the Spring, but you will have frequent Occasions of writing to me by Ships from N. England, I hope therefore you will not be Sparing by all Opportunities to furnish me with such further Instructions as may be necessary for your Service for at this Juncture.

My

My humble prove attends all the Govr. of the Comp.
the Lower house, wishing you and them an agreeable
Prosperity in all their Affairs, being Sir and

Sir, Your most obed.t humble Servt

P.S.

I find among my N. Hampshire papers as Attorney Generall y.e year 66. concerning
a Copy of Sr Geffrey Palmer's Opinion of Mr Weston's the
Grants, and cannot tell how I came by it unless it was sent from
to my Master
when he was in England, nor can I find it in the Plantation Office, but as it is a Thing that
may be of use to demonstrate your having putin your Claim as soon as practicable
after the Restoration by Mr. Allen who then acted as the Representative of New-
Hampshire (whether for his own or your Interest is not my Question) I submit to you
whether it may not be proper to send me over a Copy of it from Mr. Weston's papers under
the Seal of y.e Province to be produced as Evidence here, if there should be occasion.
I have wrote to, & call'd upon Mr. Partridge several times to enquire
what he remembers of his giving such Copy & we hope he had
it, But have not been able yet to get an answr. from him.

The Govr. is well at New market

For Colon.l Wentworth.

Middle Temple
12. Nov.r 1726.

By the Abbington
Capt.n Winter
via N. York.

Sir,

This accompanys a Copy of my last via (Boston)
since with I have sent 2 packets herewith sent from the Board
of Trade, to be forwarded by y.e first opportunity: I have sent
em therefore by y.e Way of N. York for fear of having no other title
the Spring.
I have also sent you Mr. Partridge's Answer to
my Enquiry about what he remembr'd of Sr. Geffrey Palmer's
Report and how he came by it, by which you may see
upon what Terms I may expect Assistance from him.

By y.e last Ships from N. Engl. I find Mr. Weston is dead, and
for fear his papers may fall into hands that may give you

more

(35) more Troubles than he has done. I submit to you whether it will not be worth while to purchase Mr Allens Mortgage of N. Hampshire and all the Grants &c relating to Mr Masons Title, with any thing now to be had for a Trifle after having been at so great Expence on this side in vain to contest it. But if you can come fairly by them, they may be of so much Consequence to you as to procure the Boundary in Dispute to be settled, at Bar at Merrimack River, if not at Naumkeag River.

If any of y^r Cont. in y^e Government of Massachusets should be aware of the Method now propos'd to serve you, I believe they would purchase them at any Rate rather than you should live so good a Neighbourhood, with Intention to prevent your Enjoying them: and speaking of this any otherwise than as Secret, tacit is out of the power of any Body to hurt the province of N. Hampshire upon this head.

Sr Robt Walpole is at his Seat in Norfolk and is expected to return next Week. The Govern^r is well at my L^d Barrington's in Berkshire. The King with his Court are at Kensington in good Health. where it is supposed they will continue and stile at Kensington the near future.

My humble Service to all the Gent. of the Council and the Lower House. I am Sr Your most humble Serv^t

I Pray favour me with a Line by all Opportunities the Things are a little settled. I have had some strong Fits for a long time.

To Stanian Esq.

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Sir,

I herewith send you an Extract of Mr. Secretary Willard's Letter to me in behalf of George Cudick, ~~of the Lieut. Governor of N. England~~ Catcly convicted of Piracy and under Sentence of Death, but for the Reasons mentioned in the said Certificate certified by the Register of the Court of Adm.ty ~~also~~ a Reprieve has been granted to him for a twelve Month in hopes by that time his Majesty's most gracious Pardon may be obtained. I therefore pray you will please to lay the same before my Lord Duke of Newcastle to pray his Grace's Favour for obtaining his Majesty's Pardon as usual in such Cases, and when my Indisposition will suffer me to wait upon you, I will thankfully do. I hope you will be able to get me have it in order to transmit it to the Lieut.t Governor of that Province N. England, by the first Opportunity, by which you will oblige

Your V. V.

I. Dummer.

To Jonathan Belcher Esq.r
at Boston in New England.

Middle Temple
9.th Febry 1726/7

Honor.d and Dear Sir.

I take the Liberty to recommend to your Protection and Favour the Bearer Richard Williams Son of a Worthy — in the Industry Capt.n the pard — honest Father in my Neighbourhood, who for some Irregularities and ill Acquaintance he has fallen into here chooses to send him to New Engl.d in hopes to mend his Morals by the good Example in that Country.

He has serv'd a Tallow-Chandler title he is Master of that Business and proposes to work at Boston as a Journeyman at it, title by his Industry and good Behaviour he may be encouraged to set up for himself.

His

Mr Hooper intends to pay his passage here in Captain Shepard and to furnish him with Money to bear his Expences when he lands at Boston, where he hopes by your good Offices that he may be recommended to some honest Housekeeper of the same Trade; Your Acquaintance it so genral and Honest Acquaintance so great, that I am sure you will forgive me the Liberty I have taken of desiring your Patronage so far as to prevent him falling into ill Hands, I hope he will strive to merit the Approbation and the Favour of all those you shall recommend him to, the Report of which will be the most acceptable Tydings to his Friends here.

As degenerate as New England may be, yet God be praised you retain the Reputation of mending ale Extravagants that go hence in their Morals, and as the Bearer has had the Happiness of being educated under religious Parents, I hope he carries so many good Impressions on his Mind, as may, with God's Blessing, make him a useful Man, and an Honour to the Religion he professes, in promoting which whatever Kindness you shew him shall be esteemd a particular Obligation upon

Dear Sir, Your most Obed. humble Servt.
H. N.

The King and Council have not yet had
Leisure to give their last Commands to Govern. Hunter
for returning to his Government, but they are expected every
Day, and I hope my next may inform you of the Ship he embarks in.

Brigad. Hunter is appointed Governor of Jamaica, and Colon. Gooch Lieut. Governor of Virginia, who are to be dispatch'd hence early in the Spring; and I hope our Governor will go as soon as any of them.

The Things in Europe seem tending to a War, but the Unanimity & Vigour of our Parliament has so disconcerted the Measures of our Enemies, that many think they will accept of Peace on our own Terms rather than venture the Consequences of an open Rupture, which in all Appearance of Things must end in their Confusion.

My humble Service to Mr. Sewall, Mr. P. Dudley and Colonel Quincy.

Lord Hobart's Letters and Memoirs Between the Court of Great Britain, France & Spain.

Bartlett's-Buildings, Holborn.

RECEIVED the 28 Day of Dec 1790 of
The Hon. S. Percival the Sum of Three Guineas
being a Benefaction to the General Designs of the *Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge*. on Adm.

£. 3 : 3 : — for J. Robinson
J. Bird Ass. } CLERK and COLLECTOR.

N. B. Attendance at the Office, on all working Days, except Saturday, from Nine 'till Two.

Col. Wentworth

16. Feb.

Hon.d & Dear Sr.

2 March. By Capt.n Curling Comand.r of the Johnston & By Capt.n Gilbert who sail'd before Curling.

I hope ym rec.d my Letters of the 20.th of Octob.r & 12.th of Nov.r last, concerning the Lands which I should be glad to be favour'd with yr. sentiments upon before I made any further application to the Board of Trade; Mr. Dummer has not yet rec.d the instruction he expects on that head, and till the Lords are assured that there is no hopes of an amicable accomodation on yr. side by Comm.rs from both Provinces they are not inclin'd to take the trouble of entering into the consideration of it.

S.r Rob.t Walpole continues to give me hopes of his considering of the Memorial ab.t Stores on which it entirely depends but I cannot expect no final answ.r from him till the Lords Report from the Board of Trade ab.t the Gov.rs Salary has been considered and approv'd of in Council.

Last night the Council meeting at Whitehall and the Report was read but not an end of it because they would take such resolution effectually as may answ.r the design of the Report, on such a foot as may be for the honour of the Government they have postponed it till next Wednesday when Mr. Dummer has orders to attend & any other person that has Instruction as Agent for the Massachusetts to shew why that Province has not already complyd with his Majesty's former instructions ab.t the Gov.rs Salary.

I receiv'd by Capt.n Gilbert the Invoice of Goods from Mr. Pemberton amounting ab.t 33.l. Sterl. and thank ym for it, though I am satisfyd you might have sensibly reimburs'd me for it little more than Carriage &c.a Since the last remittance, of which I doubt not you are very sensible, I rec.d yr. Letters of the 7.th and 25.th of Oct. about the precedence of some Gent.n of the Council &c.a and communicated them to the Gov.r who is well satisfyd with the decision you have made upon it and hopes ere long to receive it in returning it to his return, which I hope will be early in the Spring.

=mony between the King and Parliament than ever
as ym may perceive by the Papers herewith sent.
and we promise ourselves either a Successfull War or an
Honorable Peace if it please GOD to continue his Blessing
on the ~~oppressed~~ wise & vigorous resolutions of the Court of Gr. Brit. ~~upon~~
~~when the Eyes of all Europe seem now to be bent~~: and
notwithstanding our Enemies have the mortification to see themselves baffled
^ in ~~short~~ all their measures, ~~notwithstanding which~~ they proceed
to make formidable preparations to wrest Gibralter out of our
hands, ~~which~~ to that we daily expect to hear when they have
begun ~~the attack~~ Hostilities ^, though we are not in the least pain about
it, while ab. 4000. Men are in Garrison there under a brave
Officer Col. Kane ~~who was in the Canada Expedition~~, and
12. Men of War of the Line with Bomb Ships in the Road
ready to return the Storm whenever the Spaniards ~~will~~
~~presume~~ to begin it.

My humble Service to all the Gent. of both the
Council & House of Representatives, and please to
believe that I am

S^r Y^r most humble Serv^t

Sent herewith
An Enquiry into the Reasons of the
Conduct of Gr. Britain.
Lett^rs & Memorials between the Courts
of Gr. Brit. France, and Spain.
Political State of Gr. Brit. for Jan^y 1726/7 XP
Lond. Gazette for Feb: 14th w^th Addresses from Bristol, Great Yarmouth
and Glasgow.

To W. Secretary

P. the Report from the Ctee of Trade relating to the Gov.r was read before a Com. of Comit the night before last, but they Ds thought fit to suspend coming to any resolution upon it, till next Wednesday Even. when they intend to sit again between 5. and 6 at the Cockpit, and desired that you should have notice to attend there the Province, which the Gov.r understood to give you, and has therefore desired me not to fail doing on his part. I sent last night & was to wait on you this day, for this purpose but had not the fortune of finding you at home either time. I am

Sr.

To Hon.ble Col. Wentworth
at N. Hampshire.

Mid. Temple
10th. March. 1726/7

Sir

By the America Capt.n Crowey. I send you an Accot. of what past at the hearing of the Committee of Council the 22d. of Feb.y since which I have been waiting for the Report of the Ld.s Committee of Comit & the resolution of his Majesty thereupon at a Genll Council, but the great preparations for War have so taken up the attention of the Court that there has not been a Genll Council since, though it is expected every day.

As far as I can learn the Report the Province of Massachusetts are to pay 100 £ Stg. to the Province of New Hampshire 200 £ Stg. to the Exchange be what it will

Gov.r that this Repaid Quarterly or ½ Yearly as the Gov.r shall desire, and that the Govern.t of each Prov.ce be directed to ~~to~~ raise it by a Capitation Tax or otherwise as they shall find most easie for the Inhab.ts and if a ready compliance is not yielded to the Kings Orders herein, that the ~~whole matter will~~ whole affair be then laid before the ~~Legislature for~~ Parliament for their consideration, to find out an expedient for reim=bursing the Treasury here when the King pays the Gov.rs Salary, which expedient, whatever it may be will no doubt be to double what is now propos'd, that the Charges of receiving & paying it may be de=fray'd at the same time with us. I suppose the 4½ ℔ Cent. on Sugar at Bds. and the Duty on Tobacco from Virginia. &c.

The Gov.r has no doubt wrote to you to keep the Assembly Subsisting ~~and Readiness to meet~~ on Short Proro=gations that they may be ready to meet soon after he arrives, for he supposes if the Wind & Season permits him to Land first at Piscataqua & to proceed thence by Land to Boston.

I beg leave to refer you to the News Papers for ~~other things of~~ what relates to ~~the progress of~~ the War, and other affairs in Europe, desiring to be excus'd by Capt.n Hammerton y.r favr. of the 4th. Jan.y and the Bills for 45.l. on W.m Tryon w.ch lie at his House at acceptance he being at his Country House in Kent laid up with the Gout, and the 5.l. Bill on W.m Tolen Lloyd w.ch he has accepted conditionally, that some Bills he has rec.d likewise be paid. This Remittance will I hope enable me to make a Stand for the present agt. the Usurpa=tions who I find are for prolonging the dispute abt. y.e Lines as much as they can, & to make it as expensive a manner

as

as they can ~~hope for~~ [illegible]
~~Proceed to a compliance with their instructions~~.

They have sent home a Memorial to be laid before the King on three heads. viz. the Lines between them & them, the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty, and the Neighbouring Govern.ts paying their Quotas towards the expence of a war.

W. Dummer has promis'd me a Copy of that part relating to the Lines as soon as it is delivered by wch they recommend it to his Majesty to appoint Comrs from the Neighbouring Govern.ts to repair thither & determine the disputes between them on the Spot, and that their Report being made to the King, his Majesty may thereupon determine their disputes.

If Gent. are to be found in the Neighbouring Govern.ts disposd to accept of such a Commission, I am satisfy'd it will cost much time & expence for them to prepare a Report, after wch the whole will be liable to be litigated at home, as much as if they had done nothing, but the Gent. of the Massachusets having the longer Purse hope perhaps if this be granted, to tire them into a compliance with their own terms.

I shall ~~can take no further Steps thereon~~ so far as it relates to N. Hampshire oppose the Design of this Memorial when it is presented, but can take no further Steps till I have yr. instructions in answ.r to mine of the 20th. of Oct. & 12th. of Nov.r last. I shall write to Mr. Jaffrey &c.a as soon as I can acq.t them of the acceptance of the Bills in the mean time may give my

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humble Service to them, and give me leave to
refer you for other affairs to the Papers herewith
sent by S.r I. & V. mast Cumble Sent.

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H. N.

P. S. I recd ~~last week~~ ~~this day~~ by the Packets herewith
sent from the Ld. Com.rs of Trade, and have taken
the liberty to cover W.m Armstrong's to you that
it may go frank.

NB. Sent. London Gazettes of 4.th & 11.th March w.h Address
British Journal of 11.th March. cont. L.r B.r and
L.r R. W—pole's Lett.rs

To Mess.rs Geo: Jaffrey
R: Wibird
Wm Fellows
Theodore Atkinson
} Esq.rs at Portsmouth in N. Hampshire

Gentlemen

Mid: Temple 6.th April 1727.

By Capt.n Jenkins.

I received your joint Letter of the 16.th of Decemb.r last, and another since that of the 10.th of January, both under Cover from Lieut.t Governor Wentworth, which I have carefully perused as your further Instructions relating to the Boundaries betwixt your Province and the Massachusets, and hope by Degrees you will enable me to put this Affair in so clear a Light here, as to obtain a Decision to your ~~entire~~ Satisfaction.

I am glad to find that you approve of the use I propose to make of the Grants to Mr. Mason and his Successors, by which the Province of New Hampshire may claim an Extent from Naumkeag River to ~~three Miles to the N~~ Piscataqua River, and according to the Tenure of Mr. Allen's Mortgage to Mr. Usher which I have perused the Claim reaches to three Miles to the Northward of Piscataqua from the

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Mouth of the River &c

Mr. Samuel Allen mortgaged in his interest in N. Hampshire
Mortgage was made by Mr. Allen to Mr. Usher in Consideration of
1500 £ N. England Money by an Instrumt. dated 14 Oct. 1701,
redeemable in two years time, and that Mr. Usher left the original
Instrument of this Mortgage in the hands of Mr. John Crouch Upholsterer
in Grays church Street London, as a Security for 4 Score pounds that
which Mr. Usher borrowed of him, when last in England to the payment
of which his Son the Revd. Mr. Jno. Usher now Minister of Bristol in New England
obliged himself in a Bond
together with his Father, But the original Grants to which that
Mortgage related remain still in Mr. Usher's hands and are supposed
to be in N. England; Mr. Crouch having favour'd me with a Sight
of this Instrument, I find among other Endorsemt. that it is
registred at Charlestown by Mr. Phipps & Fallin by Capt. Sewall, and at
N. Hampshire by Samuel Penhallow Esqr. who stiles himself
Recorder, and his Endorsemt. is dated 14 March. 1703/4. Entered
and recorded in the 7. Book of Records of the Province of
N. Hampshire pa. 60. 61. 62. to which I beg Leave to refer you.
I asked Mr. Crouch what would redeem the Instrument
he had in his hands, he told me the Principal and Interest would
now come to about 100 £ Ster. but that he could not part with it
without an Order from Mr. Usher besides the payment of the
Money. He told me likewise that Mr. Usher had remitted some
of the Money since his Father left England which should be discounted
when the Mortgage was delivered up.

I submit it therefore to the Consideration of the Govern.
of N. Hampshire whether it may not be worth their while to employ
some discreet person to treat with Mr. Usher in England
of Bristol for resigning all his Title to his Father's Claim
to New Hampshire, and vesting them in the Government of

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Govern.t paying the Dott to Mr Crouch, and making him a present of
1000 ~~Acres~~ oranor of the unappropriated Lands in any place where he shall
chuse after the present Controversy with the Massachusetts is decided.

This being done would furnish me with the strongest
Argument I can use in your favour, and in all likelyhood
would procure such a Report from the Board of Trade to his Majesty
as might perhaps make your Province equal in Extent to the Province of
Massachusetts exclusive of the Province of Main: And I should
be glad to know, whether you desire to have so large an Extent
under your Government, or whether you would not chuse rather to be
limited to the Lands betwixt Piscataqua and Merrymack, and if so
from what part of Merrymack by Name you would have the
Western Line begin to be run till it reaches to New York
Government. For if I can make it appear that Mr. Mason and
his Associates have a just Claim to Naumkeag River, I think I
may reasonably insist upon your having an equivalent some where
in your Favour for all the Towns and Lands between
Naumkeag and Merrymack.

2dly As to the three Miles to the Northward of Merrymack which
the Massachusetts have got inserted in their first and 2. Charter I
believe it can be made to appear, unless you can discover to me
any Thing to the contrary, that it was granted by the Connivance
of the Inhabitants of N. Hampshire who at that time chose rather to be under the
protection of the Massachusetts than within the Verge of Mr. Mason's
Claims which might make them liable to the Tyranick Power to be exercised
to be Tyranize over them
by your possessing of Mr. Masons Interest But when that Danger will be over
I take it for granted that the Inhabitants will be as well pleased
to be under the Kingly Government of N. Hampshire as under
the Charter Government of Massachusetts.

And

~~Copies to Mr. Usher~~

of Mr. Allen's Claims than his Father has done, I believe
some
will not be intractable to a proposal upon reasonable Terms as I
have ~~above~~ mentioned. In the mean time I desire you will
send me a fair Copy ~~of the~~ under the Province Seal of
in the year. 1629.
the Purchase you made from the Indians ~~and also of all~~

~~the Grants you find in your Records to John Mason Esq~~
~~and his Defendants, for the Copies which you formerly~~
~~sent to me were not fairly written as required that any~~
~~Part of the Council of Plimouth were annexed to them;~~
~~which makes them too imperfect for me to produce as~~
~~Evidence~~

NB. These need not be sent if you send the Copies hereafter mentioned.

I must likewise desire you to send me over Depositions
from some of the oldest Inhabitants in your and the
Neighbouring Province how far the Name of Merrymack
given by the Indians
was ~~ascribed~~ to that River above Newbury, and by
Indian
what other Names the River is called 'ere it issues out of
Winnipiseoge Lake. I have Mr. Atkinson Letter on this Subject
but that would serve as Evidence without the Province Seal.
If you cannot obtain from Mr. Usher Cession of his
may at least
Interest, I hope you ~~may be early~~ obtain from him at
an
Authentick Copy of all his Grants from the Council of Plimouth
to be sent over to me ~~under the Province Seal~~ in Separate
Copies under the province Seal, for this can be no Injury
to him whatever ~~his~~ Interest be: And the Grants which I
should be glad particularly to have are viz.

viz.

That of the Council of Plimouth to John Mason Esq. dated ~~the 9th March 1621.~~ being from Naumkeag to Merrymack. dated 9. March 1621.

The Grant to Sr. Ferdinando Gorge and John Mason Esq. from Merrymack to Sagadahock dated 10th. Aug. 1622.

~~because there are both Wigr to any Grant to the Massachusetts, & will be of greatest Servc~~

N.B. Sent ahead. ~~The Grant to John Mason Esq. dated 9. Nov. 1629~~

The Grant to John Wollaston Esq. and his Associates dated the 18. April 1635.

The Conveyance from Wollaston to Mason dat. 11th June 1635.

N.B. Sent ahead. ~~And also the Grant from the Council at Plimouth to Mr.~~ ~~Mason dat 22. April 1635. wch seems to have~~ ~~intended as~~ ~~been a Confirmation of Wollastons Conveyance to Mason, tho~~ ~~the Conveyance it self was not made above 6 Weeks after, &~~

And Copies of any other Grants made by the Council at Plimouth and K. Ch: 1. to Mason or any other Persons relating to New Hampshire, &

And as a Confirmation of all these to send me over a Copy of the Opinion of Sr. Jeffrey Palmer Attorn. Genl. dat. 8th Nov. 1660. which I suppose may be found among Mr. Usher's papers for fear I should not find it here in the Council Books, which were also destroyed in the Fire at Whitehall.

I desire all these may be sent each of them under the Province Seal that I may be able to produce them Operatively as I may have Occasion.

I believe Mr. Usher never sued out his Mortgage and I leave it to you to consult Mr. Auchmooty or any other Gent. learned in the Law what Steps may be properly taken to secure this Conveyance to the Government of N. Hampshire in due form.

I need not repeat to you what I said in my Letter of the 12th. Nov. of the necessity of using the utmost Secrecy and Dispatch in your Negotiation with Mr. Usher for fear the province of Massachusetts should

us

I have herewith sent a Copy of the Minutes of the Council to the King Entirely on the Subject of the Lines & leave you to judge which they are inclin'd to draw ye most favourable Decision of this Matter, though perhaps their delay hitherto may prove to their Cost.

Sr. Robt. Walpole has been for some Weeks past laid up with the Gout and that verson is inaccessible to all people except his Domesticks and Ministers of State, so that as to the Stores for Fort Wm. and Mary I can only tell you that the Lord Mayor of London upon my Application to him told me he would consider this Affair & Audience from him & at his first Leisure. And as the King has come to a Resolution to send Governr Shute back forthwith I am not without Hopes of prevailing with Sr. Robert as soon as he can be again spoke to, to come to some Resolution about that Matter.

I beg my humble Service may be acceptable to ye Gent. of both Houses, and that you would please to believe that I am Gentlemen

Your most humble Servt.

P. S. I have seen a List of Mr. Usher's Claims by which the article is that Mr. Mason purchased of Sr. Ferdinando Gorge in 1635. the 3. Miles in the Joining of Main to the Northward of Piscataqua River from the Entrance of it to the head of Merrimack River till 3. score Miles from the Sea be finished. I should be glad to have Copy of the Deed of Sale of that tract attested under the Province Seal if you can obtain it. And perhaps it was by way of reprizal that the Massachusets got 3. Miles to Northw. of Merrimack inserted in their Charter to make amends for what they lost out of the Province of Main.

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Lieut. Gov. of N. Hamp. 10. April. 1727.

Dear Sr. My last was of the 11th March. By Captain Jenkins -- } By the america Capt. Crowdy, since wch I rec'd y'rs of the 19th Jan.y accompanying a second Letter from y'r Committee of the 10th of Jan.y con=cerning the Lines to which I have here inclosed an answ.r & send it open that yu may know the contents, & to excuse my self the labour of repeating them to yu what I have said to them.

I made y'r compliments to the Gov.r and acq.ted him with the vacancy of a Commiss.r & suppose I shall have his Comands therein ere he return to N. Engd. which he daily expects to do ~~sail for~~, as soon as His Majesty's Instructions & Lett.rs to the Massachusetts and y'r Province shall be ready, and a Man of War appointed for his voyage.

I beg leave to refer yu to the Prints here=with sent for what concerns the Publick and remain S.r Y'r most humble Serv.t

N. B. Sent enclosed the London Daily Courant for March 15: & 18. April 1725: containing the two Speeches of the Lords Justices of Ireland & Governr of Jamaica.

To Henry Marshall Esq.r Wind. Temple
Port Mast.r at Boston 6. April. 1727.
N. E.

By Capt.n Jenkins. acquainting him of the King's order in Council to lend Gov.r Shute back to N. E. & that Letters to both Provinces shd be pre==pared on the subject of his Salary.

Covers also the London Journal of 11th Feb.y last containing an Answ.r to the occasional Write and also a Lett.r to John Hewit Shoemaker late Serv.t to Col. Taylor.

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Copy of His Majesty's
Comm.r for the Province of
N. Hampsh. N. E.

18. April. 1727

By Captain Jenkins.

Sr. I receivd y.r Letter of the 29th of Dec.r last accompanying W.m Mathias Plants Bill on Wm Tryon Esq.r for fifty five pound Sterl. wch were duly accepted and paid, and at the same Time I rec.d from Mr. John Wentworth of Boston a Bill on Mr. John Lloyd for five pound to compleat the Sum of Fifty pounds on account of the Province of New Hampshire.

I have made your Compliment to the Govern.r who hopes ere long to see you, having receivd his Majestys Orders for returning to New-England, and only waits for the Instructions he is to take with him

I have herewith sent an Answer to the Instructions you have given me in Relation to the Lands to which I beg Leave to refer you, in hopes you will favour me with your further Instructions with your first Convenience.

I am Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant.

N. N.

To Theodore Atkinson Esq.r
at Portsmouth in
N. Hampshire

Middle Temple
18th April 1727.

Sir,

By Captain Jenkins --

I receivd your Letter of y.e 29th of Dec.r last, and thank you for the Advices of it relating to the Course of Merrimack River which I doubt not is as you represent, but this must be declard upon Oath by more than one of your Most People, before some Justice of Peace or Publick Notary to which the Commander in chief must add his Certificate

and

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Peace or Publick Notary [illegible] to give Credit to it there. If you can procure any credible Persons of the Massachusetts side to attest this, it will strengthen our Plea.

I have answer'd your joint Letter with the Commee of both Houses on this Subject to which I beg Leave to refer you.

I made your Complimt. to the Govern. who hopes 'ere long to see you, and the rest of his Friends in New Hampshire, and waits only for his Instructions to depart hence in Obedience to His Majesty's Orders, the Beginning of next Month.

I am Sir, Your most humble Servant.

H: N.

To Mr John Wentworth
Merchant at Boston
N. England.

Middle Temple
18th April 1727.

By Captain Jenkins.

Sir,

I receiv'd your Letter of the 11th Janry by Captn Hammerdon, with Mr. Treasurer Jaffrey's Bill from Mr. Plaxton Mr. Fryon for Forty Five Pounds, and your Bill on Mr. John Lloyd for five Pounds, which have been duely accepted and paid.

I thank you for your Care of them, and shall be glad of any Occasion to make you a better Acknowledgment, being,

Sr Your most humble Servant.

H: N.

The Governor is daily in Expectation of his Instructions as he has had Orders to return to his Government so that I hope it will not be long ere he sees you.

To Lt Gov. Wentworth.

Sr.

Mid. Temple
25. April. 1727.

The Gov.rs instructions I clear are in good forwardness, and if a Man of War can be obtain'd so soon he hopes to set out for N. Hamp. the later end of next Month, ~~I have by this sent the 2d. last Gazette~~

I beg you

Publick to the Prints herewith sent. Peace is
of but if one may judge by the appearance of things
there is more likelihood of a War, unless God is
pleas'd to incline the hearts of the King's Enemies
to ~~comply~~ yield what they would unjustly usurp.
Mr. Rob. Walpole is so well ~~pleas~~ as to see Company
I shall therefore take leave to wait on him upon
publick day abt Noon; ~~of which I shall~~ I am

Sent the 2. Gazettes
of 22d. & 25. April.
being 4. sheets of Addresses
& ~~and~~ Acct. of the Progr.
of the Arab. Impressions.

Wind. Temple
10. June. 1727.

To the Hon.ble
Lt. Gov.r Wentworth

By Capt.n Carg.

Dear Sr. I receiv'd ~~that~~ duplicates of yr.
Lett.rs of Dec.r last, and of the 19th. of April by Capt.n
Shepardson & Capt.n Clarke, and find you think you
have furnished me with all the Instructions I want
about the Lines, but I hope when you have read
mine of the 4th. of March & ~~the Comm.rs~~ you by Capt.n Crowell
& of the 6th. of April by Capt.n Jenkins you will find
it in yr. power to furnish me with most or all
the particulars therein mentiond without wch. I shall
have much trouble to go on here.
You will see by the Papers herewith sent how
much the face of affairs in Europe are changed
towards a general Peace ~~which~~ on the part of the
Emperor, and tho' the Seige of Gibraltar continues
to be carryd on with great vigour, we depend it
with so much resolution on our part, that we
daily expect to hear of the King of Spains com-
=plying to raise the Seige & consequently the terms
of a general pacification. Then

the Gov. has kept open [illegible] to carry him over, but if that cant be easily done ~~rather than lose the opportunity of returning~~ ~~this Summer to his Government~~ I think there is a prospect of Peace, (when it is more advanced) he will over persuade himself in a good ~~rather than lose the opportunity~~ of returning this Summer to his Government. Such a ship is daily expected from N. York, the Great Bever Capt. Smith Mast. carrying 24. Guns in whom he proposes to take passage by the 1st. of August at furthest to be set a shore at Rode Island in which case he desires you and W. Jeffrey would meet him at Boston when you hear of his arrival, to give him an acct. of the State of y. Provinc not doubting of a ready compliance on their part with the Governors peremptory Command relating to his Salary which Mr Jeffrey did to which I acquainted you with in my Letter of the 11th of March last.

As to the Stores, I go every week to L. Walpole for his commands, & while he does not give me an absolute refusal I cant but hope something will be obtain'd at last: before the Parliament rise he told me I must have patience till they were up, and now I must wait till he has leisure to consider of my Papers, which and the prospect of Peace will I hope be another inducemt to granting yr. request.

The Gov. refers all disposition of the places vacant in yr. Govemt. to his return which is to be at hand, & hopes to find that Unanimity & happy disposition in the people of both Provinces wh you Letter promises he may expect. Mr. Yeomans is just now arrived & though I have not

not yet [illegible]
to attend the Court of Trade next Wednesday by
order just now rec'd from their Secry. but on what
Subject I dont yet know, supposing it may be on
the Memorial from the Inhabitants relating to
the Lines, whatever it be if this slip be not gone
shall in the meantime I shall intrude
my humble Service to all the Gent. of both Houses
and please to be assured that I am

Dear Sr. Yr. most obed.

Sent inclosed the London and British Journals
for the 3d. and 10. of June 1727.

To Jonathan Belcher Esq.

at Boston in N. England

Middle Temple
10th June 1727.

Dear Sir,

By Capt. Cary. Comd. of ye Francis.

The King set out this Day Sonights for Hanover, and arrivd in Holland Tuesday Morn. following in good health.

The Govern. omits nothing to dispatch his Return to his Govern.t and tho he has some hopes given him at the Admty of a Man of War, if that is not speedily granted, upon the prospect of peace, he will once more venture himself in a Merch.t Man, and the Ship recommended to him is the Great Bever, Capt. Smith of N. York, carrying 24 Guns, by whom at furthest he hopes to leave England the 1. of August, and to be set ashore at Rhode Island, in Case he can't have a Man of War time enough to carry him Directly to Boston.

Pray communicate this to Lieut. Govern.r Dummer, Mr. Secretary Willard, Mr. P. Dudley, Colonel Quincy and Mr. Colman, with my humble Service and an Apology that I don't give them the trouble of such a short Letter as this only to assure them, as I do you, that I am their and

Dear Sir, Your most obedt. & H. Ser.

I beg Leave to refer you to the inclosed Papers for publick News. viz.
The London Journal for June 3. and 10. 1727.

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To the Hon.ble Col.o Shirley at Boston N. E.

Mid: Temple
17. June. 1727.

Dear Sr.

By Capt.n Cary - Comd.r of y.e Hrauris.

I little thought when I sent my compliment to you this day sennight in a Letter to Lt. W. Belcher I should have so soon condoled with you on the melancholy subject of the Letter you'l read in the enclosed.

Lt. 1

W. Dummer I doubt not acq.t the Lieut. Gov.r with it, to whom with W. Sewal W. Dudley, W. Belcher & such other Gent.n as I have reason to hope to be with W. Colman I beg my most humble Service may be acceptable. This sudden stroke of the King's Death will retard the Gov.rs return but I hope till he has again taken out a New Commission & Instructions from His present Majesty, but I hope Still he may be ready to return by the 1.st of August either in a Man of War or a good merch.t man.

Lt. 2.

Present my humble Duty to my Aunt Flint, & Service to my Lady with Love to all my Cousins at Braintree & Cambridge & please to Acquaint them that I am. D.r Sr. Yr.

Sent inclosed the London Journal and St. James's Even post of this Day.

To the Hon.ble
John Wentworth Esq.r
L.t Gov.r of New Hampsh.

Mid. Temple
17. June. 1727.

D.r Sr.

By Capt.n Cary Commander of the Hrauris - - -

Sennight, I little thought I should have so soon condoled with you on the Melancholy Subject of the enclosed.

The King's Death will somewhat retard the Governor's Return, tho he has taken out a New Comm.n and Instructions from his present Majesty, but I hope tho he may be ready to return by the 1.st of Aug.t either in a Man of War, or a good Merchant.

Your

You write of Corf contained in your Letter [illegible]
of Parliament, and after that I presume by a proclamation till orders to the
contrary are given; so that if you would have me take out a New Comm.
for you, there will be time enough for signifying your Commands to

Dear Sir, Your most Obed. & Hble. H. N.

P. S.
My humble Service to all the Govt. of both Houses, and pray let me have your
further Instructions about the Lines according to what was desired in mine of the
11th. March and 6. April last.

Last Wednesday the Board of Trade sent to me to be informed what
Forwardness I was in to attend 'em on that Subject of which I acquainted them,
but Mr. Dummer not appearing by Reason of his paralitick Indisposition, I am desired
to quicken him, and to prepare my self as soon as I could to lay a State of the
Disputes on behalf of your Province before them.

Last Thursday was St. Robt. Walpole Pub. Day; but the Prince of Wales being
the same Day proclaimed King, I could not with Decency wait on Sr. Robt
about the Stores, his own Situation at this Juncture being thought somewhat
precarious, till his New Majesty's Pleasure is known.

N.B. I sent in close the London Journal and British
Journal of this Day, and the Even. Post of last Tuesday or Thursday.

17. June 1727.

To Lt. Gov. Wentworth

By Capt. Cary.

Dear Sir, I forgot to send the enclosed in my
Packet of this day & therefore it follows
Capt. Cary to Deal to take its chance to
other take him. I am
Sent the Proclamation for Proclaiming K. Geo. II. Lt. Gr. Most humble

To D. Boylston
at Boston N. England

Middle Temple
28. June 1727.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your kind Remembrance of me in your
Lre of Feb. last, which I should have acknowledged by Capt. Cary who brought it,
but he slipt away to avoid the press upon the King's Death, and I lost several of
my Letters behind him.

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When I read Mrs's Journal through first I could not avoid thinking the Contents worthy of your perusal, I mean that part on the Subject of Inoculation which you have so often considerd, and must own to you that the Reflections it makes have given me more disgust to the practice than any Book or papers I have yet read. I find many Learned Physicians have begun their prejudices against it notwithstanding the Reasonings in Defence of Inoculation, that have been given to the publick by Dr. Jurin or others.

Your Experience makes you as good a Judge as any Body in this matter and therefore I should be glad of your Opinion, whether a person of a tolerable good Constitution and prepared by abstemious Living a few Days had not better in all Cases take the Infection by the Lungs, in visiting some Patient under the Distemper of a good Sort, than by Inoculating the Pus of the small Pox from the same Patient?

You will hear before this Reaches your hands of the Death of good King George the 1. but heaven it is gracious to this Nation as to give us George 2. a Prince resolvd to tread in the wise Steps of his Father; So that tho there is a deep universal Mourning in Apparel through the Nation, we are under no manner of Concern, but believe that Mercy and Justice will kiss — each other in the same they did in the Father, and all the Conduct of the New King hitherto, has perfectly answer'd every Bodies Wishes except the Jacobites who grew daily thinner in Number, at the Shocks that Providence gives to their Cause. The Queen's Virtues with before were very conspicuous we may expect now will shine forth in their utmost Lustre, and that She will become another Qu. Mary to the Nation. The young Royal Princess were happy and the Care of my Lady Portland, but now the Queen her self vouchsafes to be their Governess: Nor will my Lady Portland be ever the less respected from being dismiss'd from a Charge she so faithfully discharged. The late King lived to see all the Measures of his and our Enemies broke & baffled by his wise Management but his Son enjoys the Fruit of it: God grant he may enjoy it many Years, and that the Plantations abroad may be happy under his Smiles as the people at home are like to be. My humble Service to Mr. Colman &c. of my Friends who do me the Honour to enquire after me, and please to believe that I am

Dear Sir, Your most humble Serv.t

H. N.

PS
The King's Death as it will oblige the Govern.r
renew his Comm.n will somewhat retard his Return
to Egypt you will see him long before the Winter sets in.

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To the Honble
Lieuten.t Govern.r Wentworth.

14.th July. 727.

Dear Sir,

By Capt.n Shepard Son.

My last was by Capt.n Cary who I fear is taken by the Spaniards and carried into Corunna, the News Papers telling us of a New England Man lately carried in thither, though I hope he may soon be releated by Virtue of the Preliminary Articles which were Signd before his Capture.

I have herewith sent a packet sent after Capt.n Cary which coming too late to Deal was returnd. The Lords Comm.rs of Trade are very desirous to have the Affair of the Lines settled, and I am as much so; but I tell their Lordships though you have sent me Instructions, you have not sent me the most material Proofs for supporting your Claims viz. The 2. Grants from the Council of Plimouth to M.r Mason, which prior to any Grant to Massachusets, and the having them will make the Dispute very short, but without them I shall be drawn into a long and expensive Litigation, which I am sure it is your Interest to avoid.

I long to receive an Answer to my Letter to you of the 12.th of Novemb.r last about treating with M.r Usher for his Interest, and of mine of the 6.th of April to the Commds of both Houses on the same Subject, for the Massachusets to get the Start of you and purchase M.r Masons Right, you will be then at their Mercy, and loose the best Argum.t in Defence of your Interest; but I hope you love your selves too well to be capable of neglecting to furnish me with so important an Argument.

The Governor loses no Opportunity to press getting his Dispatches, which I hope he may obtain by the middle of next Month, if not before, tho ale the Publick Offices are now so crowded, that the Ministry are glad to come into the Expedient of a Proclamation for continuing ale Officers in the Plantations beyond the 6. Months till further Order from his Majesty, which will give time to those who can't come in so early as they desired.

I have

I have herewith sent the Proclamation for that Purpose and also other things by which you will see how fashionable it is to address our New King: Pray let me have your Compliments to his Majesty in Time to present them while they may be seasonable, the last was found Fault with by the D. of Newcastle for congratulating His Majesty's safe Landing near a Year after his Voyage, but your Distance and being in a Corner of the World, whence Ships don't often come to Great Britain, excused you.

Sir Robt. Walpole is like to continue in his High Post, but his great Hurry has not permitted him yet to vouchsafe me a final Answer about the Stores.

My humble Service to all the Gentlemen of both Houses, and pray take Care to remit Money or Credit enough to maintain the Dispute about the Lines: the Lords of Trade have told me that they expect Mr. Dummer and I should, whenever we attend upon that Subject, bring Learned Council with us, that Things may be set in the best Light for their Judging of them, and you know the Fees on these Occasions are equal to what is given for attendances on the King and Council; but I will be as good a husband as I can, assuring you that I am

Sir,

Your most Obed.t Serv.t H: N.

P.S.

If you can obtain an entire Conveyance of all Mr. Usher's Int.t to you, and send me over authentick Copies of all the Grants by which he holds from Mason, you will make sure Work, and bid fair to have the Boundaries settled so as make your Province as large again as it is, a Consideration that I am perswaded will be of Weight with you on many Accounts particularly in regard to raising the Governor's Salary &c

A Memorand.m Lately the Kg. His Majt.ies Proclamation for continuing the Officers in his Plantations till his Pleasure is further signify'd dat. 5. July. 1727.

The Gazette of Saturday. 1. July. 1727.

The Gazette of Tuesday 11. July 1727.

The British Journal for Saturday. 8. July 1727.

I rec.d duplicates of y.r Letter of the 19.th April last, by Capt.ns Clarke & Capt.n Alexander.

To the Rev.d Mr. Presid.t Wadsworth
By Capt.n Clarke at Har. Col. at Cambridge
Rev.d &c. in N-Eng.

Mid. Temple
15. July. 1727.

The News of our late Gracious King's Death you will believe was very surprizing & coming just before Leged of his Majesty's Goeing on his Journey to Hanover, & for a time gave a Damp to all our Hopes & Built on the Fourth of His Majties wise Administration, but in a

fervings this nation has received from
Kingdoms on the Accession of our present
Gracious Sovereign King
Reign Geo. I. reigns in Geo. II. with
this difference that His Majesty
his father wanted as Language
the Study of our Constitution
an obstinate Rumour
seeing all their views of
at an End
their Court to the Son as if we had found
with the father had not, though in truth
difference is in themselves whose eyes are open'd.
I herewith send you some
from different parts of the Kingdom & of all persuasion
except Papists: in perusing those
I could not help thinking it
our Cantabrigian Mother in America
to take this occasion of Addressing the Throne.
you have as good & perhaps
than many Bodies here that daily do it, as you
are a fountain of undissembled
ever paying
Protestant Succession.
for such an application, it
our unless you would be reckon'd among those
that are chagrin'd at the present Triumph. And
your compliments on this occasion may one time
or other prove
favour. However
in proposing this I am sure you will excuse the
presumption of it from one that heartily wishes
prosperity to yr. Foundation for more reasons than
the relation I have the honour to have
to it as one of
and being

Just now the King & Queen & Prince
Royal Barges & a vast
are passing by the Temple
as I guess a sight. This is one passage that nothing will be wanting
in to procure a Friend to endear himself to the People.

inclination to this Popularity, but refrain'd it ever mind
for fear of being thought to affecting to eclipse his Father's
own Glory. * vid. the other side.

As to the Dr. She seems indow'd of all the Princely good Qualities, necessary
for her high Station, and daily every day more to be known & loved
as the late Dr. Mary was. Give me leave only to add one
remarkable passage of her Bpl. Hales Esq. now one of the Clerks of the
Comm. & Dr. of acquaintance of Mr. Belcher several years since who told me that he being at Rome in the
year of Jubilee 1700. met with the Margrave of Anspach
the Queen's Elder Bro. then on his travels the Margrave finding
Mr. Hales was an English Protestant contracted an acquaintance
with him, & among other things in conversation told him, that
he could not account for it, but he had a Sister at home that
had taken it into her head that she should live to be Qu. of
Engld and therefore greedily read all English Books and
Histories of Engld that she could lay her hands on, that he
had often rally'd her upon the improbability of it because
K. Wm though a widower was too old, & the D. of Glocester
was too young, and as for the Hanover Succession it was
not then thought of the D. of Gloc. being alive
long after, but after the Sanction was declar'd, the present Emperor
made his addresses to her, and employ'd the most artfull
Priests to Solicite her to changing her Religion as a necessary
Step before the Emperor could marry her but all their Solicitations
prov'd in vain, she had too well study'd her Religion to think of
changing it for the Sake of an Earthly Crown, this occasion'd her
to be the talk of all Germany for her knowledge &
Zeal for the Protestant Religion; Upon this it was that our
late good King sent his Son to make his Addresses to her
& the Treaty was carried on & the Match had been concluded
by the Interest of God as the best pledge of securing our present happiness for
Nation with the numerous Royal Child. wch we now
enjoy & to come, till our sins shall provoke. Her Majesty's Skill in
the Popish Controversie is so great that I have heard the present
Archbp of Cant. say that She understood it better than he did
though his Grace was reckon'd one of the Champions for the Protestant
Cause in the reign of K. James the 2d. Reign, and under a great
figure

(61) the Romish Clergy out of all their Retreats, to [illegible]
=verse in Engd. ever since.

The Govr. is well and hopes to see you early this Fall.

To the Honble
Lt. Govr. Wentworth
at Portsmouth.

Mid. Temple
26. July. 1727.

Sr.

By Captn. Clarke

By this Ship I have sent Copies of my Letters by Captn. Jenkins upon advice of his being taken & carryd into Comma, though I hope my former Letters and those sind going safe to yr. hands have given you notice sufficient to secure yr. Interest with the Assembly for fear the Massachusetts should be before hand with you & deprive me of the best Argument I have to use in yr. favour.

The Lds Comrs. of Trade being very desirous to hear what I have to say on the Line of the Line, I have been obligd to take the Evidences out of their own Books as far as they will furnish me, till I can have the Papers I desird under the Province Seal by Letter of the 6th April to the Committee of both Houses wch I desire still may be dispatchd to me to supply any defect that may happen in the Testimonies wch I find in the Plantation Books. For nothing will pass at the Council Board without being supported by sufficient Evidence and where I am defective I must rely on their candor to give me time & your prudence to assist me with any thing from yr. side wch may be thought necessary.

I have accordingly given notice to Wm. Dummer to be ready a 14. night or 3. weeks time to meet me

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~~Mr.~~ me at the ~~Plantation Office~~ with Mr. L[illegible]
leave to be heard in the affair. In order to y[e] w[ch]
y[r]. Vote of the 19th. of May last is come very fa-
=vorably to my hand, to encourage my liberality
where it may be necessary for y[r]. Service, And
y[r]. Letter & the Comittee's Letter of the 26th. of
the same Month I have carefully vewed, and
shall as much as I am able conform my self to
y[r]. Instructions. As to the Gov[r]. Salary I doubt it
will be thought irregular & indecent for me to oppose it, till the
contents of the King's Letter on that Subject is
publickly known on y[e] side which little too is kept ~~by the~~
these
~~too~~. as a Secret, though I have reason to believe
y[u] will find it as I have informd y[u]. In the
mean time I shall endeavour to dispose the Gov[r]. himself
to recommend it to the Ministry to moderate the
Tax they have laid upon you in regard to the disproportion between you & your sale
in relation to the Boundaries, but if the Judgm[t]
~~in y[r]. favour or to~~ give you all the Towns
Northward of Merrimack, Perhaps you y[r].
selves may then think the Sum not out of
proportion ~~both the transactions~~, after wch
decision it will be time enough for you to com-
=plain, ~~But~~ for me to do it in y[r]. Name before
would endanger the miscarriage of the Boundary
Cause as it would perhaps Sour the Judges,
before and lay me under a necessity of betraying
the my friend that let me into the Secret.
I ~~have~~ shall write to the Comittee as soon as
I am provided with materials, and in the mean

time

(54) to them & you from Y. E.V.

You never yet have taken
Notice whether you rec'd my Lett.
of the 12th. of Nov.r last via N. York
the substance of w.ch being repeated in
mine of the 6th of Sept.r I dont repeat it now
though I sent it by a Capt.n of Genit. and I am the
more inquisitive after it because I sent at the same time
2. Packets from the Board of Trade.
caught

Sent enclosed a 2d. Copy of the Proclam.n for Officers in E. Flanders
Gazette of 10th Inst. w.th K. Speech.
Brit. Journal of 29. July.

To Lt. Gov.r Wentworth
at Portsmouth
N. England

Mid. Temple
17. Aug. 1727.

Dr. Sr. I have little to add since my last
herewith sent, but that the Ld.s Comm.rs of Trade
having just opened their new Commission under
K. Geo. II, their Ld.ps have dispersed themselves
into the Country to serve their respective Elections
for the next Session into Parliam.t and as it happens
My Comrad is gone the Circuit, & from thence
intends to go to Bath, so that it will be impossible
to get the affair of the Lines heard till their
return after the Vacation.

the Gov.r is well going into the Country to morrow
for pleasure, finding it impossible to get out his Commission
& a man of war time enough to return this Season
to his Govern.t but he hopes to see you early next
Spring, though I have said this so often I am afraid
to repeat it. My humble Service to all the Gent. of
both Houses & please to be assured that I am
Dr. Sr.

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This one Copy rec.d

To the Rev.d M.r Clarke
at Boston N. E.

7.th Aug.t 1789.

Rev.d & D.r S.r

I wrote to M.r Reid.a Wadsw.th
may
the 15.th of last Month, I beg this Lett.r be exam.d
as an Appendix to it tho' I send it to you
by way of attonem.t for not writing to you
before to acknowledge

Hond. Sr.

Rec.d to Cambridge
Capt.n Crocker

My last was of the 17.th of August, since which there has been a very odd Rumour with I bolive will surprize you as much as it did me Viz. That his Majesty has given the Govern.t of N. York to Colon.l Montgomery of the Guards and Groom of y.e Bedchamber, and the Govern.t of N. England to Govern.r Burnet.

Govern.r Shute has taken some Measures to be informd of the Truth of this, and tho the D. of Devonshire, L.d President and Sr. Robt. Walpole profess to know nothing of it, and to be under a great Concern if his Majesty has taken such a Resolution; and my L.d Townshend being indisposd, and the Duke of Newcastle having been some weeks out of Town, it cant be supposed they would advise the King to such an Alteration without the privity of my Lord President and Sr. Robt. Walpole, and that they have both been so often Witnesses of the Govern.r Wise Conduct as to wish him a better Govern.t Yet notwithstanding those appearances the Govern.r finds upon enquiry too much Reason to think his Majesty has been disposed to come into such a Resolution, whoever advised him to it.

The Court being come yesterday to Kensington, the Govern.r this Day went thither, where I bolive my L.d President and Sr. Robt. Walpole were with him humbly to expostulate with his Majesty upon the Hardship to Colon.l Shute of such a Disposition of the Govern.t of N. Engl.d after what he has sufferd in serving the Crown; and that he had actualy bought his Equipage to return upon the Command he had rec.d from his Late Majesty: But what effect this Remonstrance may have, I must by leave to inform you, in my next by a ship that is to sail in a week time; but I could not omit to let you know thus much by Capt.n Crocker who takes away his Regt this Morning.

My humble Servis to all the Gent of both Houses, and please to believe that I am Sir Your most obed.t &c

Sent inclosed the Brit. Journal of this Day & the Cambridge.

Boston Gov.r Wentworth (6) New Hamp.r Jan.y

Honble Sr.

23. Sep.r 1727.

By Capt.n Diamond in the Mary. Mr. Appleton Mast.r

What I wrote to you by Capt.n Rouse & Capt.n Steel. Mast.r of the Wm & Sarah

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It is doubted here by many whether Gov.r Burnet will ~~condescend~~ accept of the Govern.ment of N. Engld after having enjoy'd that of N. York so long & so happily as he has done. And that he will rather prefer a private life there or return home, than be concern'd in a Govern.t where he must expect so different a treatm.t from what he enjoy'd at N. York. And what may be the consequences of his refusal must be left to his Majesty's Pleasure, ~~duration~~ In the mean time while Gov.r Shute seems under a Suspension W. Dummer & I both think our Commissions for agency are suspended too ~~Lough~~ till some ~~date~~ ~~duration~~ resolution is taken therein. And for the same reason we both think we cannot regularly or with prudence Solicite the taking out new Commissions for the Lieut. Gov.rs of our respective Provinces till it is

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Ministry ~~will~~ be sent to any such application till a Gov.r is appointed

But so also not the Comm.rs to the Lieut. Gov.rs of each Province in N. Eng. they being in full force by virtue of the King's Proclamation for continuing all officers in the Plantations till His Majs. pleasure be further known. ~~However I shall~~ therefore I submit it to you whether you may think it proper to furnish me with such a Comission as Gov.r of Flute for Soliciting the interests of the Province, or to wait for the Dispatch of a new Gov.r though in the interim I shall not be wanting to take all occasions of serving the Province in prosecuting the dispute abt. the Lines &c.a to far as my present capacity enables me, being their & y.r &c. most obed.t humble Servt.

H. N.

P. S. 25.th Sep.r 1727.

Just now Before sealing I receive y.r Letter of the 2.d inst. with a Duplicate of y.rs of the 28.th of May and congratulate you on the the 7.th of August Treaty of Peace with the Indians. Sagds of y.r Treaty of Peace with the Indians. I have made y.r compliments to the Gov.r Shute who returns his & thanks you for y.r intelligence about what paper at Boston relating to him. W.r Dummer is in the Country for the recovery of his health, but is daily expected in Town.

I am ever more y.r &c. most humble Servt.

H. N.

Mid-Temple

25. Sep.r 1727.

To Geo. Jaffrey Esq.r Capt.n Zeffory

Abot. 10. days since I rec.d y.r Lett.r of the 3. July and shipped the Bills of Exchange from W.m Plant for 45. 1. on W.m Tryon which were all accepted notwithstanding the arrest of the Ship I have just now rec.d Hon.r? Bills the with a Lett.r of advice to W.m Tryon which he forwarded. & shall take care to redeve them when

~~whereby~~ ~~to~~ ~~endeavour towards promoting the interest of your~~
~~Province. Though there is a suspension at present of~~
~~the dispute about the Lines~~

I receiv'd also the Comm'rs further instructions
in relation to the dispute abt. the Lines which I shall
follow ~~when~~ as occasion offers, ~~when the~~ the suspension
of Gov.r Shute's Commission ~~to the contrary~~ seems for
the present to suspend my power of ~~acting~~ appearing as Agent
till ~~the~~ Lt. Gov.r Wentworth or Gov.r Shute's arrival for
whoever he may be are pleas'd to ~~authorize~~ give me
~~in behalf~~ new powers in behalf of the Province,
which ~~you~~ ~~in submitted to~~ you will please to acq.t
the Committee with, assuring them of my most
humble Service, who am

S.r Y.r most obed.t humble Serv.t

I beg leave to refer you
to Lt Gov.r Wentworth for
other news.

To W.m John Peckallow
at Portsm.o in N. Eng.d

mid: Temple
25. Sep.r 1727.

S.r I receiv'd y.r Letter of the 4.th of Oct.r
last wrote by order of y.r late good Father in answer to
mine with the little Acco.t between us. ~~which~~ I heartily
~~condole for~~ condole with you for his Death & hope he
~~happy by the~~ has exchang'd this life for a better and that
in Gods time we shall all meet again.

As to the Ballance which you then signify'd shd
be sent in a short time, if it be not already
remitted please to pay it to Col. Wentworth and
his Rec.t shall be y.r discharge, or the discharge of
any person who acts as his Executor

I shall thankfully accept of a copy of ye
History of the War which he was pleas'd then to
give me hopes of, and if it be put into the Gent.
Gov.rs hands he will find a way to convey it to

Sir Yr. most humble Serv.t
H. Newman

P. S. to Lt. Gov.r Wentworth's Letter by
Capt.n Steel. 25. Sept. 1727.

Sr I beg ym will excuse the trouble I give ym
By Capt.n Steel of the enclosed to Mr. Penhallow desiring him or
his father's Executor to pay ym 3. Guineas the
Ball.e of a little Acco.t between his father & me
if it be not already remitted, and that ym would
be so good as to add it to any future remittance
that may be made to me by yr. Treasurer.

I have desired also that he would put into yr.
hands Mr. Penhallow's Hist. of the War to be convey'd
to me, which he was so kind as to offer me in
his Letter of ye 4th of Oct. last.

They tell me this will be the last Ship from hence this
Season to Boston, but the winter does not hinder Ships
coming from yr. parts to London, by whom I should
be glad to hear from ym & whether you are like
to come to any Treaty with Mr. Usher ab.t his
pretensions, and for Copies of the Grants to Mr. Mason
which were prior to those of the Massachusetts

at Marblehead in N.E. (71) 25. Sept. 1727.

Revd Sr. I receivd yr. letter of the 3d. June with the enclosed for the Bp of London wch I immediately sent to His L.p and since that having waited on the Bp he told me he took very kindly the Acct. you gave him, and that he had receivd the same way well Acct. from so many other persons that he was satisfyd the Genl. but he ought not to have orders, nor should you mention any thing more from him while he remains under so bite a character. I suppose His L.p may write to you himself if he can find leisure in the midst of so great a hurry as constantly attends him. My L.d Barrington was in the Country when it came to my hands or I should have communicated it to His L.p as I did to Gov.r Shute, but I chose to forward it to the Bp hands as soon as possible to prevent any promise that might have been extorted from His L.p or the Society.

I am seem to think I have the honour of serving the Society for Prop.g the Gospel, which I have not but the Society for Promoting x.tian Knowledge are my Masters, who are concernd in their voluntary Capacity for Prop.g the Gospel in the E. Indies as the other in their Incorporated Capacity promote x.tian Knowledge in the W. Indies.

I should have herewith sent a short Acct. of both Societies might yet if you can have patience & favour me with a few lines how to distinguish them I could easily do the same by the first Ship. I am please to believe that I am

By the inclement appearance of things to be Gov.r of N. Engld.

Sr. your most obed.t humble Servt

To the Honourable
Governor Wentworth.

Wm Dummer
30 Sept. 1727.

Honour'd Sir,

By Capt. Steel. The William and Sarah not being yet dispatch'd, I have added the prints herewith sent, that you might have the Satisfaction of knowing how we stand in Relation to Spain.

My humble Service to all the Gent. of the Council and House of Representatives; and please to believe that I am

Dear Sir, Your most humble Servt

Sent the London and British Journal and the Evening Post of this Day.

To Jonath. Belcher Esqr.
at Boston.

Wm. Dummer (in part)
2. Oct. 1727.

Dear Sr. I have so often wrote to you & other Gent. of Gov.r Shute's returning to N. E. that I am now afraid to tell you, I believe you never will see him there for by the violent appearance of things Col. Montgomery of the Guards is to be Gov.r of N. York & Gov.r Burnet Gov.r of N. E. if he'l accept of it. I know you will be desirous to know how this disposition came about Gov.r Shute being in no disgrace & always appearing acceptable at Court, but this is a secret with the Ministry themselves protest they do not know

(P) favour to whom my L.d Presid.t L.d H. and the Secrys of State & therefore it wd Presumption in me to attend to give a reason for it.

I thank yu for yr. favour by Capt. Lettered of the 24th May, & Pray Ct Col. Quincy W. Colman & others Fr. know of what I have said above or all that I could have said to them, if I had given them the trouble of a Letr. My humble Servt to them & I beg yrs be assured Sam

P. S. D.o P. J.r

The preparation for the coronation is beyond expectation for riches & magnificence, the Quality that cant afford to buy Jewels hire 'em at 5. l. p.r Cent. for the use of 'em to give splendor to the Ceremony of that day. The Cr. Robes on that day are estimated at a Million of Money Sterl. nay I am told that Her Majs Petticoat is so loaded with Jewels that, that alone will be worth the money.

My humble Service to Judge Dudley to whom I am indebted for a Letr. wch if I can possibly acknowledge otherwise by this Ship I will

Pray give my humble Duty to
the Lieut. Gov.r & let him know the Contents
of this hasty Letter though I hope he'll
have a more particular acco.t from his Bro.r
who I'm glad to tell you is very much
recover'd.

To the Hon.ble
Lieut. Gov.r Dummer
at Boston.

Mid. Temple
24. Oct. 1727.

By the Peter Nolle
and Anne Galley
Capt.n Goodridge

Hon.d S.r I ~~just this~~ day
receiv'd the packet herewith
sent ~~from~~ by one of the Messengers of the Board of Trade, and
being inform'd Gov.r Burn. was in Town I sent it to him,
~~to forward~~, but it seems though he was in Town
in the morn. he return'd this afternoon to Plaistow
~~where he enjoys his health better than in Town~~ in Essex.
It is my Duty therefore to forward it, and I do with
pleasure embrace any opportunity of assuring you
that I am S.r Your most obed.t humble Serv.t
H. Newman.

P. S.
There is at present no appearance
of Gov.r Hunter's returning to N. Y.
but Gov.r Burnet it is said
to be design'd for N. Y.
of the Guards for N. York.

To the Hon.ble Lt. Gov.r Wentworth

Mid. Temp. 24. Oct. 1727.

~~To the Hon.ble~~ Hon.d S.r Having wrote largely & lately by Capt.n Diamond of
~~the Peter and Anne Galley~~ the Mary & Capt.n Steel of the Wm. & Sarah dated 23.d & 25.th Sept.r I
have little to add to the Packet ~~herewith sent~~ from the Lds Com.rs
of Trade ~~herewith~~ but what you'll find in the Prints herewith sent.
I should be glad you would signify any thing of the measures taken
or to be taken with M.r Usher as formerly advis'd, because if he dispute
of his interest to the Massachusets, or be inflexible to any reasonable
terms with for his pretensions I must shape my Argument in defence of the
Interest accordingly. ~~Perhaps~~ I am silent on this head has made me
fear there is some difficulty in the way which I hope may not be insurmount-
able when it comes to be heard before the Board. I shall write you again by

(75) My humble Service to all the Gent. of both Houses. ~~I take leave to communicate the Inclos~~

~~Sir~~ NB. Sent the Hist. Register N°. 47.
London and Mist. Journals &c
Saturday. 21. Oct. 1727.

To Mr. John Chambers
Attorney at Law in N. York.

Mid. Temple
October 31. ~~Nov.~~ 1727.

Sr

via Boston by Capt.n Goodridge.

Capt.n Tempest who gave the enclosed Affidavit ~~acquainting~~ informing me my friend the Revd. Mr. Ayerst Prebend of Canterbury that you would be so good as to give him any assistance ~~=~~ any in recovering Capt.n Ayerst's Interest in America, he has desired me to send you a Copy of the Affidavit herewith annexed, & to request you would inform yo.r self by all proper methods what Interest in Land or other Effects Capt.n Ayerst left in yr. parts, and upon yr. answer a Power of Attorney with Copies of this and another Affidavit from Capt.n Averal to the same Effect shall be transmitted to you under the Seal of London or the Originals themselves as you shall advise but before he would give you the trouble or incurr the Expence he would be glad you would let him know what Interest of Capt.n Ayerst's can be discovered in yr. parts & whatever Expence you are at in the Enquiry will be thankfully reimbursed by the Revd. Mr. aforesaid Ayerst, and you will particularly oblige tho' unknown

Capt.n Tempest says he is worth 16. hund.d Acres of Land and belonged to Capt.n Ayerst in Virginia he supposes may

Sr yr. most humble Servt.

To His Grace the D. of N. Castle

May it please yr. Grace

Mid. Temple
15. Novr. 1727.

I have just now received two Addresses to ~~from~~ His Majesty from the Govern.t & Clergy of the Province of N. Hampshire, which I am directed as their Agent humbly to present. It is my Duty to acq.t yr. Grace with it, that with yr. Grace's leave I may have the honour of being presented to His Majesty by yr. Grace at such time as yr. Grace shall be pleased to appoint. I am

My Lord yr. Grace's

To Wm. Dummer Esq.r
Lt. Gov.r at Boston in
N. Engld

Mid. Temple
16. Novr. 1727.

Hon.d & Dear Sr.

I congratulate yr on His Majesty's ~~continuing~~ yr in the Lieutenancy ~~of the Province of Massachusetts Bay~~, Having seen yr. Comission ~~at~~ his grace the D. of Newcastle's Office with the Royal Sign Manual to continue yr in the Lieutenancy of the Province of Massachusetts Bay. I heartily congratulate you and all my Countrymen upon it. There is an order for making out Gov.r Burnet's Comission of Massachusetts & N. Hampshire but ~~I dont find that~~ it seems to be ~~the~~ ~~Assembly~~ ~~Province~~ ~~but~~ ~~taking~~ ~~of~~ ~~it~~ ~~out~~ to be suspended till His Excellcy's pleasure is known. Pray make any Duty to him acceptable whenever he honours our Country with his presence ~~& to Comand~~ it and you will oblige

Sr. yr. most humble

Gov.r Westwood (71) Mid. Temple
16. Nov.r 1727.

Hon.d & Dear.r

In obedience to yr. order I have taken out yr. Commission for continuing you in the Lieutenancy of N. Hampsh. & congratulate you & both Houses of yr. Province upon the continuance of his Majtys favour to them. I send this by being at the Downs & expected to be blown off yr. Coast herewith sent you a Copy of yr. Commission, the Original shall be sent by the 1st. good Ship in the Spring.

Gov.r Burnet's Commission for Massachusets & N. Hampsh. is order'd to be made out but seems to be suspended till his Excellcy pleasure is known.

Pray make my humble Duty acceptable to him when he is pleas'd to Honour yr. Province with his presence.

I am S.r

P. S. Yesterday I ~~I have just now~~ rec'd yr. & the Committee's Packets with the Addresses to his Majtie and have just now waited on the Duke of New Castle to receive his Grace's Comands abt. presenting them, wch he was pleas'd to assure me shd be done out of Hand. Pray excuse my not writing to the Committee having nothing to add to my last but the continuance of my humble service to them

Please to let Mr. Jeffery's know that I have rec'd his Packet to his Son the same day the Yacht Boat at the Nore sail'd & forwarded it to Guernsey, since the Spaniards seem to threaten us with another rupture.

Bp. Tho. Hollis Ms.

in Mansfel Street Goodman's fields. 25th. Nov. 1727.

Worthy Sr. I was this day at the D. of Newcastle's office to know His Grace's pleasure abt. presenting the College Address. I had not the honour to meet with His Grace but Mr. Stanion one of His Grace's Secrys. told me that he believed the presenting it by a Body without the waiting of particulars to the College was without precedent. I told him I could not be positive but that I believed there had been instances of Addresses from Aberdeen & Glasgow that had such a regard to 'em, and I was sure there had been lately a very gracious answer to that from the Col. at Dublin. He said that might be so, but they were antient Royal foundations which could not be pleaded here. He added that there was an impudent Paragr. to give it no worse name beginning with the words Our Fathers were sons of the Old Puritans so called from their purer Church State & way of Worship &c? which he thought insinuated a reflection on the Establish'd Church and therefore would be coming an Address made to the Head of it and therefore very ill to be read as they generally are when presented by a Body of Gent. But if it might be presented without formality he believed my L. Duke would present it as transmitted to him & let it have a place in the Gazette I told him the Irish pamphlets had lately but not often presented an Address by a Body of Gent. whose gracious reception being introduced by the L. of the Bed chamber in waiting, he did it was granted, but that I expected if the Address was sent from N. Ireland presenting, and was introduced by me of the Bed chamber in waiting, I thought my L. Townshend had in the Gazette of this year, & that my self as their Gent. of the Bed chamber in ordinary might be allowed to do them the honour of presenting them but this Reign being not as an Agent but as a remarkable Benefactor to Addresses were sent to yr. Mr. their Foundation, & therefore I hoped His Grace would admit yr. presenting it in person. He answered that the presenting any Addresses from the Plantations ought to be presented in writing His Grace, hands, and that any other way without his priority of consent was irregular, and would have a chance to be taken no notice of in the Gazette especially if there were any expressions in them indecent to be offered to the Royal

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he said, & [illegible] if you approve of it I will again write to his Grace to request he would permit you & such Gent. as will attend you to wait upon the L.d of the Bed Chamber in waiting for an introduction, or otherwise as you shall direct

I am Sir your most obed.t humble Serv.t

P. S.

I omitted to send to you sooner as I was afraid that Paragr. would be objected to as it would revive the memory of an unhappy dispute which I am sorry to find is not entirely forgot, & might occasion some disagreeable altercation in this Province, but upon Perusal of the Paragr. I found to have such a connection with what followd that it could not be omitted without leaving out part of the Address

I beg you will send me over more Mr. Colman's Letter to him in it shew that Paragr. relating to Mr. Mauduit to the Bp of London having reason to believe His L.d has sent no such person into those parts, to visit the Churches of Engd in those parts, but that he is the same vile Impostor as hath appeard in other places of America.

To the Hon.ble John Wentworth Esq.r
Lieut. Gov.r and Com.r in
Chief of His Majesty's Province
of New Hampshire.

Mid. Temple
12. Feb.y 1727/8.

By J. Caswall
Lethieullier.

Hon.d & Dear Sir. I herewith send y.r Commission for continuing you in the Lieut.cy of New-Hampsh. and congratulate you and both Houses of y.r Province on the continuance of his Majesty's favour to you and them. I have no Letter from you since the 24. of Sep.r last and duplicate of it, w.h the Address from the Assembly & Clergy of the Province, both wch were presented and graciously accepted, as you will see by the Gazette of the 2.d of Dec.r last herewith sent. Mr. Fitch or the Chairman who drew it, forgot to sign it for wch reason I took the liberty to sign it for him, without wch the Duke of Newcastle would not present it.

His Excellency Gov.r Burnet's Commission
prepared to be laid before the next Council for approbation
for though the[y] were long time order'd, his friends here would
not take them out, till they knew whether he would accept
of them, which I am told at the Duke of Newcastle's
Office he has signify'd he will, but they will be sometime
before they pass through all the Offices, and he will scarce
visit you till he receives his Commission.

Pray give my humble Duty to him when he honours
yr. Province with his presence, and when I hear his
Commission is ready to be transmitted, I shall take the liberty of
writing to him.

As to the affair of the Lines & Stores, I have no
power to solliciti them till I hear from ym or Gov.r
Burnet as I mention'd in my Lett.r of Sep.t last, by
Mr. appleton in the Mary Capt.n Diamond Comd.r

Give me leave to acq.t ym that when the affair
of the Lines comes to be heard, I must not be sting'd
in Fees to Council &c.a which are of late grown exorbi-
tant since the fatal year 1720. and what ym have
remitted will only make a beginning, so that I hope
the Provinc will either furnish me with Money or
Credit to defend their Interests effectually when I
engage in it. I don't find the Board of Trade will
make any difficulty of admitting the Claim under Mr.
Mason's Grant with make the Southern Bounds of
yr. Province Merrimack River, whereas that of 3.
Miles to Northward on a West Line will occasion infinite
contests, and expence in the running of it, and the Proper-
tys of many Inhabitants will be mangled so as to be
part in one Province & part in another, to avoid wch
if the Massachusetts do make out their Claim accord
to their Charter, I believe the Board of Trade will rather

allow

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~~allow them~~ an equivalent out of the Lands on the
West side of the River above Dunstable than that
the King's Province should be so mangled.

As to the Boundary at Naumkeag I shall not in-
=sist upon it, and the Province don't ~~require~~ seem to desire
it, but if I can make a merit by giving it up, to that
as to ~~get~~ gain any ~~advantag~~ advantage otherwise to
the ~~Enlargem.t of the~~ Province, I ~~believe~~ hope they
will not disapprove of it.

My humble Service to all the Gent. of both
Houses and particularly to the Committee they have
appointed to write to me, and please to Let M.r Jeffrey's
know that I forwarded his packet to Lisbon the same
day I rec.d it by the packet Boat as the surest
conveyance and while we were under the apprehensions
of a rupture with Spain, which now seems to be
dissipated as you will see by the King's Speech &
other papers herewith sent to which I beg leave
to refer you and remain

Hon.d S.r Y.r most humble Serv.t

Charges on taking
out Y.r Commission

Office Fees at the D. of Newcastle's		6:15:-
To the ~~Office Keeper~~ Clerk that put the Seal to it		5:-
Office Keeper and Tin Box to put it in		4:6
	£	7:4:6

13. Feb.r Mem.d Sent inclosed the King's Speech &c. of Comm.rs Addr.s, the Gazette, Evening Post of this day, the Hist.l Regist.r N.o 48. Lisbon at Christm.s and the Marq.s Pugnac.a's Dispatch.

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the Honoble
John Wentworth Esq.r
at Portsmouth N. Engd.

Middle Temple
13th. Feb. 1727/8.

Dear Sir,

I cannot close this packet without telling you that the Bearer of it is the only Son of our old Friend Mr. Caswal who will need no Recomendation to you, but that he is the Son of such a Father and Mother as he has the happiness of having. He goes over to see the Country and get a little Experience added to what he has learnt under his indulgent Father before he sets up in the World. Mr. Caswal retains that Opinion of N. England, that he chooses to send him thither first rather than to any other part of America or even of Europe, not doubting of the Civility of his Friends to advise his Son to follow the best Company and Examples afforded in our Country. I am

Dear Sir, Your most obed.t Ser.t
N. N.